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Face the Nation

60 Minutes

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In direct response to timely news topics, viewer letters/emails, and routine community ascertainties throughout the WRAL viewing area, WRAL-TV elected to cover the following issues through news stories, public affairs programming, documentaries, and special reports:

- Consumer
- Education
- Health
- Here to Help/Economy
- Political
- Public Affairs
- Special Reports

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CONSUMER

2:00 10/02/2009 5PM

Restaurant Ratings

Five On Your Side looks at local restaurant ratings and uncovers some gross practices.

2:00 10/07/2009 5PM

Bus Stop Confusion

Five On Your Side helps clear up the rules you need to know when stopping for a school bus.

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Wake Restaurant Ratings

Five On Your Side looks at several Wake County restaurant ratings.

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Inspection Confusion

Five On Your Side helps clear up the confusion surrounding vehicle inspections.

2:00 10/14/2009 5PM

Eyelash Drug Dangers

Consumer Reports looks into the dangers that may come with using the new FDA approved eyelash drug, Latisse.

2:00 10/16/2009 5PM

Restaurant Ratings

Five On Your Side looks at several local restaurant ratings from surrounding counties.

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Gluten Free

Consumer Reports mentions several ideas that are available for people who need Gluten Free products or choose to eat them.

2:00 10/22/2009 5PM

iPhone GPS

Consumer Reports tests how well the iPhone GPS works or doesn't. They also report on which will cost you less money and give you the best results.

2:00 10/23/2009 5PM

Restaurant Ratings

Five On Your Side reports restaurant ratings from several NC counties.

2:00 10/28/2009 5PM

Ford Reliability

Consumer Reports found that many Ford cars are the most reliable in the industry.

2:00 10/29/2009 5PM

Juiced Up OJ

Consumer Reports compares Tropicana Premium to Tropicana that contains "extras".

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Organ Donation Law Part 1

Five On Your Side talks to widow, Carol Moody-Vaughn, about her recent husband and his participation in organ donation. We investigate the current organ donation law.

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Restaurants By Request

Five On Your Side reports ratings for local favorite restaurants.

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Beef Recall

We warn viewers of the Fairbank Farms recall that can be found in stores in seven states, including North Carolina.

2:00 11/04/2009 5PM

Blue Ray Players

Consumer Reports tests the blue ray players to find which will perform the best and cost you less. They also tested the clarity, ease of use, and color accuracy.

2:00 11/05/2009 5PM

Organ Donation Follow-up

Five On Your Side looks further into organ donation and what it means if you have agreed to donate. We spoke with Donate Life and asked what parts of the body may possibly be donated.

2:00 11/06/2009 5PM

Restaurants By Request

Five On Your Side reports restaurant ratings for several "local favorites".

2:00 11/10/2009 5PM

Dog Flu

Five On Your Side looks into the dog flu shot and whether or not your dog should receive one. We find that most vets recommend the shot for those dogs that spend a lot of time around other dogs.

2:30 11/12/2009 5PM

Furniture Showcase

We talk with Christine Subasic, a customer of Furniture Showcase, who never received the furniture she ordered. We also looked into several other complaints and contacted Furniture Showcase to try to resolve the issues.

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Restaurants By Request

Five On Your Side reports restaurant ratings for several local favorites.

2:00 11/18/2009 5PM

BPA Warning

Consumer Reports discusses the details on the latest BPA Warning. The chemical level of BPA, which is used in food cans and clear plastic bottles, may be harmful to consumers.

2:00 11/18/2009 5:30PM

Top Safety Picks For Cars

We review the top cars in safety for the year. This time around, another important safety issue has been tested, the rollover. Subaru tops the list with the most cars winning safety.

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Crib Recall		
With a recent crib recall, the Consumer Product Safety Commission, discusses the issues that led to the recall.		
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Heartburn Remedies		
Consumer Reports discusses the different remedies for heartburn and which will save you the most cash.		
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Unsafe Chicken		
Consumer Reports discusses the safety issues that come along with raw chicken. They also tested raw chicken from hundreds of stores for salmonella and campylobacter.		
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Cordless Drills		
Consumer Reports tests a variety of cordless drills to determine the best for the consumers money.		
2:00	12/08/2009	5PM
Best Coffee Makers		
Consumer Reports tests several coffee makers to determine which will stretch the consumer dollar and keeps the taste.		
3:00	12/10/2009	5PM
Elderly Scam		
Five On Your Side talks with an elderly man that was taken advantage of by several local contractors. The police are still looking for the men and the elderly man wants his \$90k back.		
2:00	12/11/2009	5PM
Restaurant Ratings		
Five On Your Side reports several restaurant ratings from Johnston, Durham, Wake, and Orange counties.		
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Cheap Camcorders		
Consumer Reports test fourteen different pocket camcorders to find out which is the best for your money.		
2:15	12/16/2009	5PM
Weird Wedding Cake		
We talk with a newly married couple that had a wedding cake disaster. The cake they ended up with looked more like a deck of playing cards then the pretty design they expected. After speaking with the cake decorator, the couple received a complete refund.		
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Wake Restaurants		
Five On Your Side takes a look at several Wake County restaurant inspections.		
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Lost Luggage		

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When Amy Elliot's luggage was lost by JetBlue airlines they gave her only a portion of what her valuables were worth. Five On Your Side looked into the issue finding that several items are not covered by airlines and claims are almost always depreciated.

2:00 12/22/2009 5PM

Booster Seat Tests

Just because you buckle a child correctly into a booster seat doesn't mean they are always safe! The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety tested 60 child seats to determine which are the safest for a child.

2:00 12/23/2009 5PM

Best Chocolates

Just in time for the holidays, Consumer Reports gives a list of the best chocolates.

3:15 12/23/2009 6PM

Organ Donation

Five On Your Side talks to an organ donation survivor about her struggle and how grateful she is to her organ donor. We also tell consumers the two ways that you can sign up to become an organ donor and possibly save a life.

2:00 12/24/2009 5PM

Vacuums

Consumer Reports looks at the best upright vacuums for your budget and your back!

2:00 12/28/2009 5PM

Internet Ready TVs

Consumer Reports tests several online television services to find which works the best and how well the quality of the picture may be.

2:00 12/30/2009 5PM

Shower Heads

Consumer Reports tests 18 different shower heads to determine which will provide the best shower. They included several water saving shower heads in the test.

2:00 12/31/2009 5PM

Hospital Risks

Consumer Reports surveyed more than 700 nurses to determine how clean hospitals really are. They found that many hospital staff do not wash their hands regularly at work and several nurses had given the wrong medication to patients.

EDUCATION

2:00 10/05/2009 NOON

Friends Of Diversity

They call themselves "Friends of Diversity". This newly formed group of community leaders, business leaders and politicians gathered at the Raleigh Convention Center to voice support for Wake County School's diversity policy.

2:00 10/06/2009 ALL AM

School Election

The fate of 140-thousand children, where they'll ride the bus, which school they'll be assigned, where in Wake County will they be educated is all at stake in today's election. Many people are

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saying there's never been a more important school board race in the history of the school system.

2:00 10/06/2009 ALL AM

Teacher of the Week--Pat Deese

Career nurse Pat Deese made the transition from the hospital to the classroom nine years ago. She now teaches health education at Smithfield Selma High school.

2:00 10/07/2009 5PM

High School Site Controversy

Wake school officials say going with another site could delay the opening of the high school by at least a year. That would delay any overcrowding relief at other high schools. Construction on Forest Ridge High could start next summer.

2:00 10/07/2009 5PM

School Board Changes

The debate comes down to where students should be sent to schools. Current district policy buses students all across the county to balance socioeconomic diversity across the system. Three newly elected candidates say students should stay in their own neighborhoods.

2:00 10/07/2009 5PM

Diversity And Busing

Deborah Prickett says she and other parents are tired of their children being bused to different schools in the name of diversity and last night she rode that wave of discontent right into a new school board seat.

2:00 10/07/2009 6AM

School Board Results

We were there when the results came in. Prickett found out that she will be the new Wake County School Board member representing the seventh district.

2:00 10/09/2009 5PM

Enloe School Texting

Starting December 1st, regardless of age, it will be against the law to text while driving in North Carolina. A conviction could result in a hundred dollar fine and court costs. The Highway Patrol plans on visiting other schools to deliver the same message.

2:00 10/14/2009 ALL AM

Teacher of the Week-Alison Bryan

The Teacher of the Week expresses her love of teaching saying "you care for them in other ways. You learn about things going on, their sad moments and exciting moments. They always want to come in and share with you."

2:00 10/15/2009 5PM

Halifax Schools

Time isn't a luxury to school administrators in Halifax County. The state has intervened and demanded improvement. Low test scores prompted Superior Court Judge Howard Manning to say the district was committing "academic genocide."

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Thales Academy

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Step inside Thales Academy in Apex where murals are meant to inspire. Named after the ancient Greek Philosopher, Thales Academy is a new school. A private school born in part out of frustration over Wake County public schools.

2:00 10/16/2009 5PM

Charlotte Busing

In the 1960's, many schools in and around Charlotte had only white students or black students. In the landmark case Swann versus the Charlotte Mecklenburg Board of Education, Chambers argued schools should be desegregated. He won. In 1970, students were bused around the district to balance racial diversity.

2:00 10/19/2009 5PM

Wake School Board

Cathy Truitt called a press conference to announce she would be stepping down in the Wake County school board run off race against opponent John Tedesco. But that doesn't mean the race in District 2 is over.

2:00 10/19/2009 5PM

Operation Stop Arm

It's some of the most frightening video we can broadcast -- a bright yellow school bus carrying young children involved in a crash. In August, our story about this little girl broke hearts. Ashley Ramos Hernandez had just gotten off her school bus when she was killed by a driver who didn't stop for her bus. Many called for a crackdown.

2:00 10/21/2009 5PM

Schools and H1N1

The latest information from the government shows H1N1 flu continues to be most dangerous to kids and young adults. Hospitalizations and deaths from it are now confirmed in 27 states and that's just since September first. As Whit Johnson reports, school administrators are being forced to shut their doors.

2:00 10/22/2009 ALL AM

Teacher Advancement

Shakira Williams is trying out a new lesson plan with her fifth graders at Wilburn Year-Round Elementary. A plan that was devised and will later be dissected with her fellow teachers. All who are part of the state's only Teacher Advancement program.

2:00 10/23/2009 6PM

School Board Election Controversy

When Wake County voters fill out their ballots this November, Cathy Truitt does not want her name on it. After calling for a runoff, the former School Board candidate withdrew from the race earlier this week, conceding to frontrunner John Tedesco.

2:00 10/27/2009 5:30PM

Bullying Protection

Moss Brennan is learning something new this year at his Durham Elementary School. He's learning how to protect himself and others from bullies.

2:00 10/28/2009 NOON

Teacher of the Week - Mark Townley

The Teacher of the Week expresses his passion for teaching saying "instead of teaching a kid about mercury poisoning in Japan. I want them to think about the sip of water they just took in the water fountain right here...right outside my room."

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2:00 10/29/2009 6PM

Raleigh Charter High School

Pop into Raleigh Charter High School, and you'll see plastic pigs propelling as part of a physics lesson. An English class takes place in a computer lab. While another class takes on the challenge of merging math with music.

2:00 10/29/2009 11PM

New School Board

The days of busing for economic diversity in Wake County may soon be over. The four new school board members who officially take office Tuesday promised to sweep away the current policy for neighborhood schools.

2:00 10/30/2009 6AM

Spanish School

If you don't understand a word of what these kids are singing, then you know how they felt their first few weeks of kindergarten. Senora Munoz speaks only Spanish to her students.

2:00 11/01/2009 6PM

School Board Runoff

John Tedesco got the most votes for the Wake County District 2 School Board Seat. However, he did not get more than half the votes which means second place finisher, Cathy Truitt, could ask for a runoff. She did make the request, but later decided to withdraw that request.

2:00 11/04/2009 6PM

School Board Changes

Change has been the buzz word this election season with John Tedesco's win to the Wake County School Board. The win means the board majority now favors neighborhood schools.

2:00 11/04/2009 ALL AM

Teacher of the Week-Nicole Russell

Ms. Russell comes to school everyday, excited to introduce new lessons and new topics in an engaging way that the kids really enjoy it, while including hands-on activities that really teach new concepts.

2:00 11/11/2009 ALL AM

Terry Sanford

Football players at Terry Sanford High School in Fayetteville made a plea before the school board. They hoped to reverse a decision to forfeit all their football games and end their season. As WRAL's Adam Owens reports, the meeting did not end the way the players wanted.

2:00 11/12/2009 11PM

School Ruling

The school self-reported one of the football team's players was ineligible but played this season. The state High School Athletic Association called that a foul and ruled Terry Sanford needed to forfeit its regular season wins and would not be allowed to participate in the playoffs.

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Teacher of the Week--Jennifer Baron

Singing about the digestive system is just one of the ways Jennifer Baron gets a point across at Harris Creek Elementary.

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School Crossing Guard

He's the school crossing guard at Northwoods Elementary in Cary. Alston holds a red stop sign in one hand and with the other hand he waves at every car and every person who passes.

2:00 11/17/2009 6PM

Terry Sanford Grades

The Terry Sanford High School team's football season is over. Last week, a judge's order allowed them to play in a playoff game which they won. Now after hearing all the evidence, that same judge says the team must forfeit not just that game but all 9 of their victories this season because of an ineligible player. One attorney for the State Athletic Association called the situation "disgraceful".

2:00 11/18/2009 5PM

Middle School Garden

These students at George Watts Montessori Magnet School are working in the garden and its their garden.

2:00 11/18/2009 ALL AM

Teacher of the Week – Arlie Harris

Our latest Teacher of the Week is a first class communicator. She uses the spoken word to break down barriers between her students and a world that's getting smaller all the time. WRAL's Gerald Owens paid a visit to Moore Square Museum Magnet Middle School, and Spanish teacher Arlie Harris.

2:00 11/19/2009 5PM

Teacher Of The Year

Teacher of the Year one day and unemployed the next day. A Granville County Educator faced that dilemma. It's also a reality check on how big cuts at the state level are impacting local school systems. Dan Bowens explains how one man fought to stay in the classroom.

2:00 11/23/2009 NOON

Durham Green School

Welcome to Bethesda Elementary School in Durham. Winner of a clean school award last year. And you could say they've won an award for being a green school -- \$2,000 from the school system for saving energy.

2:00 11/30/2009 NOON

Outgoing School Board

As the Wake School Board chair and vice chair for the past eight years, Patti Head has seen Wake Schools grow by more than forty thousand student and by more than 37 schools. In her experience, she says "no decision prompted more parental backlash than student reassignment."

2:00 12/04/2009 6PM

Wake School Board

It's probably the least glamorous and yet the most important thing about being a school board member. The new faces on Wake's School Board are getting a crash course in policies and procedures.

2:00 12/08/2009 6PM

Teacher of the Week – Adam Eisenson

Encouragement is a big part of Adam Eisenson's philosophy. The third grade teacher at Easley Elementary says kids at this age should want to come to school.

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School Board Vote

After 129 votes and dozens of hours in session, there are very clear feelings of anger among board members. Betty Lou Ward still can't believe a vote was taken while she was in the bathroom.

2:00 12/10/2009 ALL AM

Union Independent School

At Union Independent School, it doesn't matter if you live in a poor neighborhood. It doesn't matter if you're from a single-parent household. What does matter is that students come to learn.

2:00 12/12/2009 5PM

Christmas Parade Band

The Jack Britt High School marching band rolled down Hay Street this morning during the Christmas Parade. Characters from Star Wars were a hit with the crowd! And WRAL's own Mike Maze and Fayetteville Bureau reporter Bryan Mims also made an appearance to spread some holiday cheer to our viewers.

2:00 12/15/2009 11PM

Wake School Board

The Wake County School Board will wait to hear back from parents before deciding the next move on reassignment! The Board will send surveys to parents to get their feedback. The issue had emotions running high at the latest School Board meeting.

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Teacher of the Week - Matt Hunt

Students have to be on their toes in Matt Hunt's math class. The former pro basketball player, turned investment banker, turned teacher, uses aspects of all three professions in his classroom at Durham's Northern High School.

2:00 12/16/2009 5PM

Classroom Size

Wake County's School Board has a new challenge - reducing classroom sizes. The school board did not get a waiver from the state for more than 300 classes that have too many students.

2:00 12/17/2009 5PM

Online Grading

Chemical equations may be a mystery to these Wakefield High students but their grades and grade point averages so far this semester, are not. It's all just a click away on Wake's Student Parent Access Network also known as SPAN.

2:00 12/23/2009 5PM

Teacher of the Week -- Peggy Pelletier

Experience, honesty and passion -- this week's Teacher of the Week has all three. It's what makes her a role model for other teachers at McGee's Crossroads Middle School. Gerald Owens introduces us to 6th grade English teacher Peggy Pelletier.

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Project Education

What if your child's school taught classes in social and emotional skills, and students were graded on them, just like math or social studies? WRAL and the George Lucas Educational Foundation

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are committed to showing you what works in public education. In this morning's Project Education, Renee Chou introduces a unique program in Anchorage, Alaska.

HEALTH

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Prostate

About 1 in 35 men will die of prostate cancer. If it's caught early through screening, there are many effective treatment options - like surgery or radiation. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, a less invasive option is now in clinical trials at Duke and UNC.

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Drug Reactions & Kids

Something many parents already know is that not every medicine goes down smoothly! More importantly, bad reactions to medicines affect more than half-a-million American children each year, even sending some to the hospital! WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports, new research advises parents and doctors to be more vigilant when giving or prescribing drugs to children.

2:00 10/05/2009 5:30PM

SIDS Campaign

It's a nightmare for many parents -- Sudden Infant Death Syndrome - or SIDS. It's the unexplained death, usually during sleep, of a seemingly healthy baby. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask tells us about an awareness campaign to reduce the risk of SIDS.

2:00 10/06/2009 5:30PM

JAMA Drug Coverage

The amount of money spent on prescription drugs is increasing faster than any other healthcare expense in this country. It's no different in nations with publicly-funded healthcare systems - like Canada and Britain. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains that how those nations deal with drug coverage decisions may offer insight as the U.S. grapples with major healthcare reform.

2:00 10/07/2009 5:30PM

H1N1 Update

First, it's important that ultimately everyone get both vaccines. An average of thirty-six thousand people die every year from complications of the seasonal flu. The first cases typically appear in late December through early January. But we're dealing with a current pandemic of H1N1 flu. Health officials want to put certain high risk groups at the front of the line for vaccinations.

2:00 10/08/2009 5:30PM

Home Infusion

Nobody wants to stay in a hospital if they don't really need to be there. Many patients stay simply to receive a steady flow of intravenous medication. But WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask shows us, now that's something that can be done at home.

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Body Sculpting

A lot of women wish they could take fat from an area where they don't need it - and put it where they want it. In the world of plastic surgery, you can actually 'flesh' out that fantasy. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains.

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Encephalitis

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Children are among those hit hard in the H1N1 outbreak. Health officials are keeping an eye on a potentially deadly complication. WRAL's Doctor Allen Mask shows us how scary it can be when a child comes down with H1N1 and encephalitis.

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Sugar And Obesity

We all know it's hard to fight a sweet-tooth craving. Medical experts say the average American consumes 22-teaspoons of sugar per day - that's about 3-times more than recommended. WRAL's Doctor Allen Mask explains, cutting back means looking more closely at labels.

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Masectomies

There are concerns that in treating breast cancer - mastectomies are done too often. New research shows that might not be the case. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, the lumpectomy is more often the choice especially in early stage breast cancer.

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Aortic Aneurysm

For most people it's a silent disease - but if untreated, it can lead to sudden death. It's not a cardiac arrest. In this report, Dr. Allen Mask talks about abdominal aortic aneurysm.

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Heart Disease

What's in a name? A lot when it comes to heart disease which is the leading killer of women in America. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports, there's a push to categorize the disease differently for men and women as a way to address specific problems between the genders.

2:00 10/19/2009 5:30PM

H1N1 & The State Fair

The crowds at the State Fair add to the excitement. But the masses of people with the H1N1 flu present raises the risk of spreading the illness. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask has advice for enjoying the Fair without the germs.

2:00 10/20/2009 5:30PM

JAMA Heart Failure

More than five million Americans are affected by heart failure. And according to the American Heart Association, that number is rising! As Doctor Allen Mask explains, while treatment of the condition varies, new research finds that one therapy is not used enough as it should be.

2:00 10/21/2009 5:30PM

Hunter's Hope

In 1997, former Buffalo Bills quarterback Jim Kelly's son Hunter died from Krabbe Disease. It's when the blood lacks an enzyme so that the brain cannot develop normally. Now a foundation formed by the NFL great is helping families dealing with the disease and find hope at Duke. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports on 'Hunter's Hope.'

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Hammertoe

When your toes hurt, it seems like your whole body hurts. Hammertoes are one of the most common problems with the feet and surgery may involve a long, painful recovery. But as WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask shows us, there is a new surgical implant means less pain and less time off your feet.

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H1N1 Vaccines

The battle with H1N1 continues in our state. Clinics opened this afternoon in Orange County. Within 10 minutes, the vaccines were gone at one site! Erin Hartness reports on how health officials are making sure those most at risk are able to get those shots.

2:00 10/26/2009 5:30PM

Heart Monitor

Each year, more than a million Americans suffer heart attacks. Hundreds of thousands die before ever getting to a hospital. Many patients have no warning signs, but that could change. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask shows us an on-going experimental trial that uses an implant that pings heart patients when they have a problem.

2:00 10/27/2009 5:30PM

Burn Centers

Burn injuries cause more than forty thousand hospitalizations a year in the United States. Only twenty-two percent of patients are admitted to places such as the North Carolina Jaycee Burn Center at UNC for treatment. WRAL's Doctor Allen Mask reports, new research looked at how accessible the specialized care required for burn treatment is for patients.

2:00 10/28/2009 5:30PM

Atrial FIB Imaging

Video games have some very realistic 3D graphics! Now, that technology is being used more and more in operating rooms. Dr. Allen Mask is here to explain more in this report.

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Body Builder Diet

Most people would be happy with a normal body weight and good muscle tone. But some people are driven beyond that goal for superior fitness. The Health Team's Dr. Allen Mask is here to tell us how a Raleigh woman became a world class body builder.

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Hypertension

Fewer than forty percent of people with hypertension in the United States have adequate control of their blood pressure. That puts them at greater risk of heart attack and stroke. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, a Duke study found an effective way of helping those patients at home.

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Knee Tears

It does not matter if you're an elite athlete or a weekend warrior, muscle strains and tendon tears can happen to anyone. Often surgery is needed to fix the problem. But as Dr. Allen Mask shows us, a new procedure is helping people avoid surgery by helping the body heal itself.

2:00 11/03/2009 5:30PM

H1N1 & Deaths

The H1N1 flu pandemic continues its grip on the U.S. The numbers are staggering and changing daily. New research out of California shows the flu is hitting the young and elderly the hardest. The Health Team's Doctor Allen Mask explains that those age groups are seeing more hospitalizations and deaths.

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Free Alzheimer's Disease Treatments

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More than 5 million Americans have Alzheimer's Disease and that number is growing as more baby boomers reach their retirement years. The disease triples the cost of healthcare for those patients and their families. Dr. Allen Mask is here to help explain how to get free Alzheimer's care. Drug companies and researchers are working hard to find ways to treat this disease more effectively. They've relied largely on advertisements to find willing trial participants, but with minimal success. Now, a new organization is helping to connect Alzheimer's patients with expert care that doesn't cost them a thing.

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Pediatric Radiology

Just like adults, a child's cough may turn to pneumonia or a pain in the side may be appendicitis. A radiologist might be called upon to confirm the diagnosis. Dr. Allen Mask is here to tell us why children may also need a pediatric specialist.

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Immunity Boost

To avoid the cold or flu this time of year, people frequently wash their hands. Some people even wear surgical masks. But WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains there are natural ways to boost your immunity by eating the right foods.

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H1N1 Vaccine Update

It's a confusing flu season with two vaccines, one for H1N1 flu and the seasonal flu. Both of them seem to be in short supply at the very time that many people are eager to get them. WRAL's Doctor Allen Mask explains the reasons behind the shortage and when more may be available for everyone.

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Autism

It's important to know children with autism can learn and function normally and show improvement with appropriate treatment and education. A private non-profit group called Voices Together goes into schools to work with these special needs students and they make sweet music together.

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Scarless Hysterectomy

One in three women in the United States will have a hysterectomy by the age of 60. Open surgery through a horizontal incision is the most common method, leaving a scar similar to a C-section. But Dr. Allen Mask is here to tell us about a "scarless" hysterectomy.

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iPod Interpreters

One of the biggest challenges most hospitals face is helping patients who don't speak English. Interpreters are usually available but often patients wait a long time for one to be called in. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask shows us how advances in digital technology are helping to meet those patients' needs faster.

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Breast Cancer Screening

Now, a government panel is at odds with other major medical groups on when and how often screening should be done. WRAL's Doctor Allen Mask explains, some experts believe new suggested guidelines could lead to more breast cancer deaths.

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Autism Gluten Free Diet

More parents are looking for ways to help children diagnosed with autism. It's a developmental disorder that can affect social interaction and communication. In 2007, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimated 1 in 150 eight-year-old children were diagnosed. The next year, that number jumped to 1 in 100. Some celebrities, TV talk shows and internet sites suggest a special diet will improve an autistic child's ability to function and communicate. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask looks into the evidence behind the popular trend.

2:00 11/18/2009 5:30PM

Mammogram

To get a mammogram or not to get a mammogram. That is the question for many women, after new guidelines were released this week from a government panel. Dr. Allen Mask is here to talk about the confusion surrounding the new recommendations.

2:00 11/19/2009 5:30PM

Pulmonary Hypertension

Pulmonary hypertension is where the high blood pressure is occurring in the lungs. Patients are short of breath and fatigued. Just 20 years ago, there was no treatment available for patients, but now there are options available that help them live a more normal life.

2:00 11/20/2009 5:30PM

Pap Smears

Today, another set of medical recommendations for women. This time concerning cervical screenings. It comes just days after a government task force recommended new guidelines for mammograms. The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists recommends most women get their first Pap Smear at age 21, instead of 3 years after they become sexually active. Then, women in their 20s should get screened every two years instead of annually. And for women in their 30s, they can wait three years between Pap tests once they have passed three consecutive tests.

2:00 11/23/2009 5:30PM

Pregnancy & H1N1

Pregnant women can be especially vulnerable to the H1N1 virus. The CDC says more than 100 pregnant women have been hospitalized in intensive care and about 30 expectant mothers have died from H1N1. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, one new mother came close to dying when she was 7 months pregnant.

2:00 11/24/2009 5:30PM

JAMA--Falls

Many of us take for granted the ability to stand up after an accidental fall. For older adults, falling is dangerous and sometimes even deadly. WRAL's Doctor Allen Mask explains, a new study found chronic bone and joint pain increase the risk of falling.

2:00 11/25/2009 5:30PM

Pneumonia

In this country, the spread of the H1N1 flu virus is a major concern. But another disease is killing about 2 million children each year worldwide - pneumonia. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask met a local physician who's working to try to save children.

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Brain Cancer Treatment

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Brain cancer is one of the most deadly cancers because it's very difficult to treat. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, doctors are using an experimental procedure that blasts the chemotherapy drugs directly onto tumors.

2:00 11/27/2009 5:30PM

JAMA ICU Infections

If you end up in a hospital's intensive care unit, you don't expect the care to lead to more problems. But infections can easily become a serious problem. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, a new study shows how big a problem it is around the world.

2:00 12/02/2009 5:30PM

Lose To Live

It's hard to think about losing weight when there are holiday buffet tables to tempt you. But Dr. Allen Mask is here to talk about a special program that helps people adopt a healthy lifestyle no matter what time of year it is.

2:00 12/03/2009 5:30PM

Angels In Aprons

The last thing the elderly want to give up is their independence, especially during the holidays. But illness and disabilities often require short or even long-term care in a skilled nursing center. Dr. Allen Mask is here with a program that offers some hope for those who need that type of care.

2:00 12/04/2009 5:30PM

Diabetes Flu

People with diabetes are part of the high-risk group for both the seasonal flu and H1N1 flu. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports, the flu can make it difficult for diabetics to keep blood sugar levels in check.

2:00 12/07/2009 5:30PM

Cancer Deaths

Good news on progress in fighting cancer in this country. The National Institutes of Health reports an overall decline in the incidence of some of the major cancers and in cancer deaths. Dr. Allen Mask is here to explain in this report.

2:00 12/08/2009 5:30PM

Cluster Headaches

Cluster headache patients will tell you the pain they experience can be more excruciating than childbirth or a gunshot wound. Attacks usually occur several times a day, sometimes lasting weeks or months. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports, a new study reveals an easy and effective way to bring relief.

2:00 12/09/2009 5:30PM

H1N1 Patient

For many people, the H1N1 flu means a few days at home and then back to work. The Health Team's Dr. Allen Mask is here to tell us about one man's two-and-a-half month battle for his life.

2:00 12/10/2009 5:30PM

Diabetes & The Holidays

It's difficult to maintain a healthy diet during the holidays. People with diabetes can not afford to go overboard. Doctor Allen Mask is here with tips for helping diabetics survive the temptation.

2:00 12/11/2009 5:30PM

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Breast Cancer Treatment

Many cancer patients often undergo chemotherapy. Only 4 out of 100 women with early stage breast cancer benefit from the treatment. As WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask reports, a special test can help determine if chemotherapy is right for you.

2:00

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5:30PM

Ovarian Cancer

For many young women, an ovarian cancer diagnosis can make having children impossible. But as Dr. Allen Mask explains, new research now shows there may be options. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains more in this report.

2:00

12/15/2009

5:30PM

Alzheimer's Leptin

As many as 5.3 million people in the United States are living with Alzheimer's Disease. That number is expected to double every 20 years. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, a new study found a simple protein may lower the risk of developing the disease.

2:00

12/16/2009

5:30PM

Med Sled

Everyone should have a home evacuation plan in case of a fire or other emergency. Hospitals have evacuation plans but very few have good answers when the elevators don't work. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask shows us one answer to the problem.

2:00

12/17/2009

5:30PM

3d Spine Surgery

Most people will have back pain sometime in their life. Ninety percent of them won't require surgery. But when you do, you want it done right. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask shows us a new 3-D imaging system is helping surgeons to fix the problem.

2:00

12/18/2009

5:30PM

Holiday Migraine

The business of the holiday season can be a real headache and for those who suffer migraines, we're talking quite literally. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask shares more details in this report.

2:00

12/21/2009

5:30PM

Cancer Pillows

No child is more deserving of gifts from strangers than those faced with life threatening disease. Such gifts are often given during this time of year. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, one woman's gifts keep flowing all year round.

2:00

12/22/2009

5:30PM

Online Stroke Indicator

Some first time stroke patients often suffer a second stroke within 90 days. In this Health Team report, a new online test could help identify those patients most at risk.

2:00

12/24/2009

5:30PM

Pneumonia Vaccine

For some people, the flu can lead to other more serious complications that require a visit to the hospital. Twenty-five percent of flu hospitalizations are for secondary bacterial pneumonia. As Dr. Allen Mask explains, a simple vaccine can help protect you.

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Cancer Cranes

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Treating cancer is more than just about medicine. Many doctors and patients say your mental attitude and spiritual life play a key role. The Health Team's Dr. Allen Mask shows us how cancer patients use their creativity to help in their healing.

2:00 12/29/2009 5:30PM

Ginkgo Biloba

Ginkgo biloba is a popular herbal remedy that is taken for a wide variety of concerns even for improving memory and thinking as we age. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask explains, now researchers have looked at whether it has any clinical benefit at all.

2:00 12/30/2009 5:30PM

H1N1 Top Health Story

We always brace ourselves for the traditional winter flu but 2009 threw us a curve ball. H1N1 flu quickly emerged as a national and global concern. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask takes a look back at the leading health story of the year.

HERE TO HELP/ECONOMY

2:00 10/01/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Homeowners Insurance

Five On Your Side discusses how many homeowners insurance programs are cutting coverage and raising premiums.

2:00 10/05/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Low Cost Medical Treatment

As part of our Here to Help segment, Consumer Reports helps find ways that the uninsured can receive medical treatment help. They recommend looking into government insurance programs and health care centers.

2:00 10/06/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Freezers

As part of our Here to Help segment, Consumer Reports tests 20 freezers to determine which will help you save and get the most out of your money.

2:00 10/08/2009 5PM

Here to Help - New CFL Bulbs

As part of our Here to Help segment, Consumer Reports tests several new CFL Bulbs to see if their new features really work. They found that some bulbs do have limitations but they still save money and energy.

2:00 10/12/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Credit Score

As part of our Here to Help segment, Five On Your Side shows viewers how to get out of debt and lower their credit score while doing so.

2:00 10/19/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Cut Printer Costs

As part of our Here to Help segment, Consumer Reports tests computer printers to find which will save the buyer the most money by using less ink. They also determine which printer also gives the best performance.

2:00 10/21/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Online Reviews

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As part of our Here to Help segment, Consumer Reports warns that not all online reviews are trustworthy. They found that many sites actually contain reviews written by employees.

2:00 10/26/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Buying A Mattress

As part of our Here to Help segment, Consumer Reports explains the best ways to test out a mattress. They also give several brands that are recommended for having a top rating.

2:00 10/27/2009 5:30PM

Here to Help - Brown Bagging

As part of our Here to Help segment, Five On Your Side discusses the up side to bringing a bag lunch to work rather than eating out.

2:30 11/03/2009 5PM

Tax Free Appliances

Five On Your Side reminds viewers of the energy star tax free weekend.

2:00 11/11/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Costly Car Mistakes

Consumer Reports discusses several steps that can be taken to avoid future car issues and cost the consumer more.

3:00 11/16/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Credit On Call

Five On Your Side paired up with several local creditors for a phone call-in that provided free credit help information for consumers. We did live teases and discussed the call-in during the 5, 5:30, and 6pm shows.

2:30 11/19/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Home Protection

Five On Your Side talks to a homeowner about the NC Home Protection Program. The program helps homeowners keep their homes after being laid off by offering an interest free loan.

2:30 11/23/2009 6PM

Here to Help - Gold Buying

With gold buying booming, we take a look at where consumers can get the most money for their gold. After we investigate, we find that a regular jewelry store may offer more money than the gold buying events.

2:00 12/03/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Holiday Debit Card Drawbacks

As part of our Here to Help segments, Consumer Reports warns of the dangers when using a debit card to make holiday purchases. By using a credit card, consumers may have more protection and can dispute charges with the bank.

2:30 12/09/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Return Policy Gotchas

Consumer Reports warns consumers to look out for return policies that aren't so great. Several policies carry a time limit, partial refunds only, or can refuse a refund at anytime.

2:00 12/17/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Prepaid Cell Phones

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Consumer Reports recommends some prepaid cell phone plans that may help consumers save a ton.

2:15 12/29/2009 5PM

Best Cell Service

As part of our Here to Help segment, Consumer Reports surveyed fifty thousand subscribers to determine which cell phone service provided the best coverage for the best price.

2:00 10/15/2009 5PM

Best Buy Strollers

Consumer Reports test several baby strollers to find one that is safe and will give consumers the best for their buck.

2:00 11/02/2009 5PM

Missed Energy Savings

Consumer Reports looks into which appliances you should buy that will save you money in the long run. Replacing light bulbs and checking for leaks in the insulation can help you save.

2:00 11/17/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Save On Petcare

Consumer Reports discussing the expenses that come with owning a pet and how consumers can save money. They talk about everything from food and toys to medicine and insurance.

2:00 11/24/2009 5:30PM

Best Gravy

Consumer Reports shares their best picks for gravy to help consumers prepare for Thanksgiving.

2:00 11/24/2009 5PM

Best Spices

Consumer Reports lists their best spices just in time for the Holidays.

2:30 11/24/2009 6PM

Best Wine

Consumer Reports does a taste test on several wines and determines the best wine for a holiday party.

2:00 12/01/2009 5PM

Charity Gift Cards

Consumer Reports suggest that consumers give directly to a charity rather than giving charity gift cards. It has been found that the gift cards are more of a rip-off and may expire after a year.

2:00 12/02/2009 5PM

Inexpensive Digital Cameras

Consumer Reports tests several digital cameras to determine the best for the consumer's buck. They determine that two Kodak EasyShare Cameras are the best buys.

2:00 12/14/2009 5PM

Holiday Tipping

Consumer Reports recommends rules to go by when tipping for the holidays. Holiday tips are important to show that you are thankful but they shouldn't break your budget.

2:00 10/2/2009 5:30PM

Here to Help - First Time Home Buyer Tax Credit

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We talk to a first time home buyer about the recent tax credit incentives.

2:00 10/7/2009 6PM

Here to Help - High Risk Insurance Pool

We discuss the state's high risk insurance pool – Inclusive Health.

2:00 10/9/2009 5:30PM

Here to Help - State Fair Jobs

Temporary State Fair jobs are a quick way to make some extra cash in the bad economy.

2:00 10/9/2009 5:30PM

Here to Help - How to ask for a raise

We give tips on how to ask for a raise in the bad economy.

2:00 10/13/2009 5PM

Here to Help - Extracurricular activities and discounts

We find ways to save on extracurricular activities so your kids can stay active.

2:00 10/14/2009 6PM

Here to Help – Save at the State Fair

As part of our Here to Help segment, we give tips on clever ways to save money while still enjoying the State Fair.

2:00 10/20/2009 6PM

Here to Help – Seasonal Jobs

Seasonal Jobs are a great way to make some extra money for the holidays.

2:00 10/23/2009 6PM

Here to Help – Winterize your home

We find ways to help winterize your home and make it more energy-efficient.

2:00 10/28/2009 5PM

Here to Help – Salvation Army angel tree

The Salvation Army angel tree is a great way to help those who are low on funds to be able to afford a Christmas presents for their children.

2:00 10/29/2009 5PM

Here to Help – Affordable Fine Dining

Wake Tech's culinary school is a great way to enjoy a fine dining meal for cheap.

2:00 10/30/2009 5:30PM

Here to Help – Christmas Budget

Retailers are slashing prices early this year which could be a great way for shoppers to save if they get a head start on their Christmas shopping.

2:00 11/4/2009 5:30PM

Here to Help – Alzheimer's trails

Clinical trials for Alzheimer's disease are a good way to save money when a love one is affected.

2:00 11/5/2009 6PM

Here to Help – Toys for Tots

Toys for Tots is another way parents can get help for presents during the holidays.

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Here to Help – Homeowner Tax Credit		
The Homeowner Tax Credit incentive offered by the government has been extended.		
2:00	11/9/2009	6PM
Here to Help – Salvation Army donations		
The Salvation Army is another way to get holiday help.		
2:00	11/13/2009	6PM
Here to Help – Book Sale		
For Bookworms, the Wake County Library book sale is a great way to find a bargain.		
2:00	11/14/2009	11PM
Here to Help – Book Sale		
Wake County Public Library book sale continues over the weekend.		
2:00	11/20/2009	5:30PM
Here to Help – Turkeys for those in need		
The Inter-Faith food shelter delivers turkeys to those in need for Thanksgiving.		
2:00	11/25/2009	6PM
Here to Help – Layaway		
Layaway is a great way to help budget your money and still afford holiday gifts.		
2:00	11/30/2009	6PM
Here to Help – COBRA expiring		
Many who depend on COBRA may not be aware that it expires after 9 months. The government is working to get this date extended.		
2:00	12/4/2009	5:30PM
Here to Help – Best Value Christmas Trees		
We find the best Christmas trees around for your money.		
2:00	12/7/2009	6PM
Here to Help – Car Lot Titles		
We tell consumers what they need to know about owning a car and when they should receive the title.		
2:00	12/8/2009	5:30PM
Here to Help – Open Enrollment		
We help consumers determine what they should consider before signing up with open enrollment.		
2:00	12/11/2009	ALL
Here to Help – Coats for the Children		
Coats for the Children telethon live in all newscasts.		
2:00	12/15/2009	6PM
Here to Help – Wake Tech small business help		
Wake Tech has increased its campus by pairing up with Wells Fargo to help teach consumers about running a small business.		
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Here to Help – Holiday Shipping

We look at ways to save on holiday shipping.

2:00 12/21/2009 6PM

Here to Help – Foreclosure prevention

We look at resources consumers can use to help prevent foreclosure.

2:00 12/23/2009 5:30PM

Here to Help – Warmth for Wake

Warmth for Wake works with local banks to help provide heat for those in need.

2:00 12/24/2009 Noon and 6PM

Here to Help – Raleigh Rescue Mission

The Raleigh Rescue Mission is here to help those in need over the holidays.

2:00 12/29/2009 6PM

Here to Help – Medicare Deadline

The open enrollment deadline is approaching for senior citizens in need of Medicare.

2:00 12/30/2009 6PM

Here to Help – Medicare Deadline

For those who may be missing out on the Medicare deadline, SHIIP is another option available.

2:00 12/30/2009 5PM

Here to Help – Unemployment benefits

Benefits may be provided for those hoping to receive unemployment help.

POLITICAL

30:00 10/04/2009 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Guests: General James Jones, USMC (Ret.), National Security Advisor (1); Senator Carl Levin (D-MI), Chairman, Senate Armed Services Committee (2); Representative Ike Skelton (D-MO), Chairman, House Armed Services Committee (2); General Anthony Zinni, USMC (Ret.), Former Commander, United States Central Command (2)

1) Topics include: General Stanley McChrystal's meeting with President Obama / General McChrystal's request for an additional 40,000 troops to be sent to Afghanistan / reaction to recent comments made by General McChrystal criticizing the possibility of scaling back the forces in Afghanistan / importance of considering all of the elements and goals of the new March 2009 strategy for Afghanistan before deciding on a troop increase / encouraging developments in Pakistan / concern in Pakistan and Afghanistan over America's perceived loss of resolve; upcoming meetings with Iran over reports indicating that Iran has acquired sufficient information to be able to produce an atomic bomb

2) Topics include: praise for General McChrystal / disappointment in the perceived lack of support and questioning of General McChrystal's recommendations / support and opposition regarding committing more combat troops to Afghanistan at this time / shortage of Afghan troops / need for additional trainers and more equipment to be sent to Afghanistan / belief that a return of the Taliban to Afghanistan guarantees the return of al Qaeda / need to place focus on all of the opinions in the chain of command regarding Afghanistan before making a decision / speculation as to chances of a vote on a troop increase passing the Senate.

2:00 10/06/2009 5:30PM

Wake Voting Turnout

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The polling site at Stough Elementary school has campaigners doing some last minute campaigning despite the light rain. The polling site has seen a slow flow of voters all day.

2:00 10/06/2009 5PM

Fayetteville Primaries

Primaries in Fayetteville are underway to settle contenders for Mayor and other posts. Mayor Tony Chavonne has four challengers: Ronnie Peele, Charles Ragan, Economy Smith and Bob White. There are also primaries in Districts 2, 4 and 6.

2:00 10/07/2009 6PM

Wake School Board

The Wake County School System could be in for a shock. Three newly elected School Board members say they want to modify the districts socio-economic diversity busing policy.

2:45 10/08/2009 6PM

NC Treasurer Campaign Contributions

A "pay to play" investigation into New York's state pension fund is raising fresh questions about campaign finance right here in North Carolina. Namely, the legal practice of politicians taking money from people who do business with the state.

30:00 10/11/2009 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Guests: Senator Mitch McConnell (R-KY), Senate Republican Leader (1); Senator Jack Reed (D-RI), Senior Member, Senate Armed Services Committee (2); David Ignatius, Columnist and Associate Editor, The Washington Post (3); Michael O'Hanlon, Director of Research and Senior Fellow, The Brookings Institution (3)

1) Topics include: reaction to rumors that the Obama Administration may consider negotiating with the Taliban / support for General Stanley McChrystal's request for an additional forty thousand troops to be deployed to Afghanistan / belief that General McChrystal should testify before Congress because it is Congress that would appropriate the funds necessary for a troop increase / reports of fraud in the recent Afghan elections involving incumbent President Hamid Karzai

2) Topics include: importance of focusing on all aspects of U.S. strategy, not just on the troops / concern over the costs associated with deploying additional troops / comparison of costs per American soldier versus an Afghan soldier / praise for General McChrystal's through analysis, but criticism regarding the narrow perspective, focusing on military operational aspects / call for a thorough analysis so that past mistakes are not repeated / questioning the assumption that the return of the Taliban guarantees a return of al Qaeda / reaction to Vice President Joseph Biden's argument for a troop draw down and an increased use of drone aircraft to fight and focus on al Qaeda / need to work together with the Pakistani forces, as a decision concerning Afghanistan will affect Pakistan as well

3) Topics include: lack of consensus on what exactly President Obama should do about Afghanistan / assessment of the current situation in Afghanistan / Taliban's recent invasion of an army compound in Rawalpindi, Pakistan / David Ignatius's recent trip to Pakistan / reaction to rumors that the Obama Administration may consider negotiating with the Taliban, in order to focus more on al Qaeda / questioning of Vice President Biden's position of using drone aircraft / Mr. Ignatius's belief that greater concerns exist concerning Pakistan than the security of their nuclear weapons.

2:00 10/16/2009 6PM

Campaign Finance

Former Governor Easley would be hard pressed to claim campaign finance law is too cloudy when he goes before the State Board of Elections. In this 2004 advisory opinion written to Easley's

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campaign attorney, the board detailed how to report the use of private aircraft and how it relates to contribution limits.

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10/18/2009

10:30AM

Face the Nation

Guests: Rahm Emanuel, White House Chief of Staff (1); Senator John Cornyn (R-TX), Committee on Finance (2); Senator John Kerry (D-MA), Chairman, Foreign Relations Committee (3)

1) Topics include: reaction to a statement made by Senator John Kerry suggesting that a decision to send more troops to Afghanistan should not be made until there is more stability in the Afghan government / possibility of holding a run-off election / concern that weather conditions could hamper that possibility / need for a credible partner in Afghanistan, meaning that the people and government would be able to fill the space and opportunities created by American troops / relationship between a safe Afghanistan and America's national security; reaction to criticism from Republicans and Democrats regarding President Obama's support for taxing the very expensive insurance plans, known as Cadillac plans / the public option as a way to provide competition and reduce costs; reaction to a recent headline in The New York Times stating that bonuses have returned to Wall Street

2) Topics include: fear that President Obama's deliberation over sending more troops to Afghanistan will begin to look like indecisiveness and embolden our enemies / lack of an established government in Afghanistan should not be the lynchpin for deciding whether or not to protect security interests in that region; assertion that the current health care proposals will raise taxes and increase the deficit / claim that Republicans have been largely excluded from the health care process

3) Topics include: Senator Kerry's recent meeting with the U.S. commander in Afghanistan, General Stanley McChrystal / belief that President Obama can not make a decision concerning a troop increase without an adequate Afghan government in place / call for reform within the Afghan government / need to modify the current counterinsurgency strategy to better suit the needs of Afghanistan / belief that ultimately there is no military success in Afghanistan -- that the Afghans will define their future

2:00

10/20/2009

5:30PM

How Did We Get Here (Easley)

When the new State Board of Elections took office in July, one of its first orders of business was to address former Governor Mike Easley. At issue is discrepancies in his campaign finance reports.

2:00

10/23/2009

6PM

Wake Runoff

When Wake County voters fill out their ballots this November, Cathy Truitt does not want her name on it. After calling for a runoff, the former School Board candidate withdrew from the race earlier this week, conceding to front runner John Tedesco.

30:00

10/25/2009

10:30AM

Face the Nation

Guests: Senator John McCain (R-AZ), Ranking Member, Committee on Armed Services (1); Senator Russ Feingold (D-WI), Committee on Foreign Relations (2)

1) Topics include: reaction to the recent violence in Baghdad, Iraq / assurance that today's car bomb attack will not require any delay in the withdrawal of U.S. troops; support for General Stanley McChrystal's request for additional troops to be sent to Afghanistan / belief that President Obama should not wait until after the run-off election to make the decision regarding additional troops / reaction to a recent statement made by former Vice President Dick Cheney criticizing President Obama for his indecisiveness / respect for former Vice President Cheney / desire to support President Obama / opinion regarding Vice President Biden's proposed counter terrorism

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strategy which relies mainly on drone aircraft; criticism against the lack of transparency regarding the formulation of the health care proposals / Senator McCain's lack of support for health care reform that includes a public option

2) Topics include: belief that the American people will not support a troop increase / criticism for former Vice President Cheney over his comments accusing President Obama of dithering / questioning the assumption that the return of the Taliban to Afghanistan guarantees a return of al Qaeda / going after al Qaeda should be the number one priority, not going after the Taliban / promise to try and block President Obama in the Senate should he decide on a troop increase / support for a flexible timetable to drawdown troops; support for the inclusion of the public option in a health care plan / clarification regarding the public option as a moderate idea versus the more liberal single payer system / need to include the public option now, in order to instigate some control over the abuses that have occurred in the insurance industry.

2:00 10/26/2009 6PM

Easley

Day one's bombshell came from longtime Easley friend and resigned NC State Trustee McQueen Campbell who said "Yes, I flew the former Governor dozens of times in my plane at a cost of more than \$87,000. No, I was never paid for any of those flights."

2:00 10/27/2009 5PM

Easley Testimony

Several major Easley supporters testified they gave thousands to the State party with the understanding that money would come back to benefit Easley campaign.

2:00 10/28/2009 5PM

SBOE Hearing

Today, the former executive director of the State Democratic Party testified in Mike Easley's campaign finance hearing.

2:00 10/28/2009 5:30PM

School Board Runoff

A runoff election for the Wake County School Board will go forward, even though one candidate said she wanted to quit. That decision today by the State Board of Election. As Adam Owens shows, the woman who wants the race to stop could still win.

2:00 10/28/2009 ALL AM

Easley On The Stand

Answers were hard to come by as Democratic Party officials and wealthy contributors repeatedly could not remember campaign finance details. Former committee treasurer Dave Horne said he couldn't recall any concerns over unreported free flights offered to Easley by friend McQueen Campbell.

30:00 10/28/2009 7:30PM

Easley Hearing Update

Half-hour special that takes a more in-depth look at the Easley investigation. Program anchored by WRAL's David Crabtree, Cullen Browder, and Bruce Mildwurf with commentary from political analysts and insiders.

2:00 10/29/2009 5PM

Richard Burr Poll

With just over a year to go before the 2010 mid-term elections, nineteen percent of North Carolina residents believe Sen. Richard Burr deserves another term in office, while more than

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double that amount (or 42 percent) feel it's time for a new person to have a chance, according to the latest Elon University Poll.

2:00 10/30/2009 5PM

Easley State Board of Elections

Former Governor Mike Easley, a former DA and Attorney General now must prove he didn't break the law. The State Board of Elections determined, though, a crime was committed during the handling of the former Governor's campaign finances. Easley's attorney says, his client welcomes the extensive investigation.

2:00 10/30/2009 5PM

Campaign Finance Reform

In calling for campaign finance reform, the Board wants to require candidates to personally pay the fine if the campaign committee can't. Senate President Pro Tem Marc Basnight issued this statement, "We need to continue working to restore the public's trust in government. We will certainly take a long look at the State Board's recommendation." Senate Minority Leader Phil Berger wrote, "Their suggestions about campaign finance reform are welcome."

2:00 10/30/2009 6PM

Easley Hearing

After a week of witnesses, campaign finance questions, and a former Governor's testimony, the State Board of Elections agreed on one key point that evidence shows a crime was committed.

2:00 10/31/2009 5PM

Runoff

Cathy Truitt asked for a runoff election with John Tedesco for the district two seat. Truitt later changed her mind. The State Board of Elections ruled the runoff could not be cancelled. The runoff election happens November 3rd.

30:00 11/01/2009 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Guests: David Axelrod, Senior Advisor to President Barack Obama (1); Senator Joe Lieberman (I-CT) (2)

1) Topics include: the withdrawal of Abdullah Abdullah, a candidate for the president of Afghanistan, from the run-off election / news that President Obama will make a decision regarding a troop increase for Afghanistan within weeks / administration's goal of protecting Americans from al Qaeda; reaction to criticism from Rush Limbaugh, in which he characterizes President Obama's visit to Dover Air Force Base to take part in a ceremony honoring the return of fallen servicemen from Afghanistan, as a photo op / speculation regarding Mr. Limbaugh's role in the Republican Party / current state of the Republican Party / clarification of the so-called war and recent truce between the White House and Fox News; reports of a shortage of the H1N1 Flu vaccine / steps take by the Obama Administration to keep the public informed during the H1N1 epidemic; President Obama's belief in the public option as a valuable inclusion in the health care bill

2) Topics include: support for health care reform, but opposition to the inclusion of the public option / belief that the public option will hurt the economic recovery because it will cause the government to raise taxes / promise to join the Republicans and filibuster the health care bill in order to keep the public option out of the final version / reaction to critics claiming that being against the public option is equal to being against health care reform / criticism that his opposition is due to the fact that numerous health insurance companies are headquartered in Connecticut and have been loyal supporters; support for General McChrystal's request for an additional 40,000 troops for Afghanistan / need to support President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan

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and focus on stopping the Taliban and al Qaeda; disagreement with Mr. Limbaugh over the remarks he made about President Obama.

2:00 11/03/2009 5PM

Election Day

Today, voters made their choices and the totals are in! From mayoral races to city council and school board seats, we have your complete election 2009 coverage.

2:00 11/03/2009 6PM

Election Results

You can count on WRAL for the results of more than 250 local races. Polls remain open until 7:30pm. Once they close, results will run at the bottom of your TV screen. We'll also have results posted on WRAL.com.

2:00 11/04/2009 6PM

Morrisville Mayor

A grassroots effort led to the ouster of incumbents in Morrisville. The mayor was soundly beaten in yesterday's election. During her one term as mayor, Jan Faulkner drew criticism for a proposed tax hike. Jackie Holcombe will take her place.

2:00 11/04/2009 5PM

Election Turnout

Overall in Wake County, voter turnout was slightly higher than in October. A little more than thirteen percent of voters in Wake County came out yesterday. About eleven percent turned out last month.

30:00 11/08/2009 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Guests: Senator Jack Reed (D-RI) (1); Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC) (1); Representative Ike Skelton (D-MO), Chairman, House Armed Services Committee (1); Representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL) (2); Ed Rollins, Republican Political Consultant (2)

1) Topics include: last night's passing of the health care bill by the House of Representatives / opposing viewpoints regarding the makeup of the bill and the inclusion of the public option / potential opposition the bill may face in the Senate / support for a filibuster to keep the bill from passing the Senate / belief that private insurance companies will be unable to compete against a public option; November 5th massacre at Fort Hood, Texas -- carried out by Army psychiatrist Major Nidal Malik Hasan -- that left 13 dead / reaction to reports questioning Major Hasan's fitness for duty and commitment to U.S. soldiers and that he had sought release from military service / commitment to waiting to receive reports from the investigation before rushing to judgment and engaging in finger pointing / how this incident opens up broader issues, such as how soldiers and their families are cared for / whether or not Major Hasan's Muslim faith made his superiors reluctant to challenge him, for fear of being accused of discrimination / positive record of Muslim men and women who serve in America's armed forces

2) Topics include: reaction to the results of Tuesday, November 3rd's midterm elections / how voters currently feel about President Obama and if those emotions played a part in Democrats losing Congressional seats / pledge from conservative candidates to move the Republican Party more to the right / prominent role of the independent voter / need for the candidates to focus on the economy for the 2010 elections.

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R.C. Soles

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With criminal investigations and unsavory allegations swirling around him, State Sen. R.C. Soles Jr. has begun to consider not serving a 22nd term in the North Carolina legislature. "My plans are to run again, and if it were today, I would file," Soles said this week.

2:00 11/13/2009 5PM

Etheridge Running

Etheridge is the long-time representative of the State's 2nd Congressional House District. His campaign received a letter last month from the Federal Elections Commission because it was still raising money though he had not filed for office. The campaign says Etheridge officially filed to run for his current seat on Tuesday.

30:00 11/15/2009 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Guests: Representative Pete Hoekstra (R-MI), House Intelligence Committee (1); Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT), Chairman, Judiciary Committee (2); Dana Priest, Investigative Reporter, The Washington Post (3); Juan Zarate, CBS News Consultant (3)

1) Topics include: decision to try Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, purported mastermind of the September 11 terrorist attacks and four other accused plotters, in New York City / fear that the trial will be dragged out and used as a platform to push their ideology / belief that military tribunals should be used, instead of an American civilian court / opposition to moving prisoners from Guantanamo Bay to prisons in the United States; belief that there has not been enough transparency and information from the government for Congress, the press, and for the American people regarding the massacre at Fort Hood / call for an independent investigation by Congress / real and continuing threats to the United States from radical jihadists

2) Topics include: support for holding the trials of the September 11 terrorists in New York City / belief that the decision sends a positive message to the world that the American justice system works / faith that the judges will be able to keep the proceedings from turning into a circus / reaction to criticism that enemy combatants should not be given the same benefits that an American citizen would be afforded in a trial / potential problems regarding the evidence obtained from Khalid Sheikh Mohammed through water boarding; need for an investigation into the Fort Hood massacre

3) Topics include: questions as to how Army psychiatrist Major Nidal Malik Hasan -- the man behind the Fort Hood shootings -- managed to slip through the system with poor performance ratings and get sent to Fort Hood / belief that due to his Muslim faith his superiors were reluctant to question him / Army's concern about diversity in its forces; speculation that an announcement from President Obama regarding American troops in Afghanistan will be made after Thanksgiving / rumors that a decision was made, but is being reconsidered / al Qaeda's move from Afghanistan to Pakistan / goal to defeat al Qaeda should include a move into Pakistan.

30:00 11/22/2009 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Guests: Senator Jon Kyl (R-AZ), Republican Whip (1); Senator Charles Schumer (D-NY) (1); Dr. Jennifer Ashton, CBS News Medical Correspondent (2)

1) Topics include: opposing viewpoints regarding last night's Senate vote to formally bring the health care reform bill to the floor for debate / reaction to reports that a hundred million dollars were channeled to Louisiana in order to secure the vote of Senator Mary Landrieu (D-LA) / various opinion polls differing on the desire of the American people for health care reform / reasons behind Senator Kyl's opposition and Senator Schumer's support for the public option aspect of the bill / belief that enough Democrats will vote for the public option / differing opinions as to whether or not the bill will increase taxes

2) Topics include: reaction to the ruling from a government advisory committee changing mammogram guidelines for women / importance of acting as your own health care advocate / fear that the new breast cancer screening and new cervical cancer screening guidelines will cause

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women to stop visiting their gynecologists / belief that these new guidelines will result in an increase of women dying from breast cancer.

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GOP Primaries

Voters not registered with a party can still vote in Republican primaries in North Carolina. The state party's Executive Committee rejected a resolution that would allow only Republicans to choose the party's nominees. Republicans for the change say unaffiliated voters tend to back moderates. Other state leaders say the resolution would damage Republican chances to win elections. Democratic primaries are also open to unaffiliated voters.

2:00 11/25/2009 5:30PM

Perdue Ethics

Last week, a government watchdog called on Perdue to remove Ruffin Poole. He was appointed to the Golden LEAF Foundation board. Last month, Poole attempted to block a subpoena from the State Board of Elections to testify at a hearing about former Governor Mike Easley's campaign finances. Perdue did not mention Poole, but said her staff is exploring the policy involving her appointees to boards and commissions.

30:00 11/29/2009 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Guests: Senator Carl Levin (D-MI), Chairman, Armed Services Committee (1); Dick Armey, Former House Majority Leader (R-TX) (2); Dede Scozzafava, Former Congressional Candidate (R-NY) (2); Ed Gillespie, Republican Strategist (2)

Guest Moderator: Harry Smith, Anchor, The Early Show

1) Topics include: report confirming that Osama bin Laden was within the grasp of U.S. military at Tora Bora in December 2001 / President Obama's December 1st speech from West Point, announcing an additional thirty or thirty-five thousand troops to be sent to Afghanistan / hopes that the additional troops are being deployed to build up the Afghan army and give them the capacity to take on the Taliban / call on the Karzai government to end corruption / belief that the price paid by American forces and the American people is worth it, provided that the mission is getting the Afghan army and people in charge of their own future / President Obama's effort to get an additional five to ten thousand troops from NATO / support for a tax increase on the "upper brackets" to help pay for the troop increase; faith in the Senate's ability to pass health care reform / possibility of the bill including a public option that allows the states to opt out of; doubts over the need and potential success of a second stimulus package to aid in job creation
2) Topics include: "Republican 10 Commandments" or principles -- introduced by members of the Republican National Committee to keep their candidates in line with party ideals / denial that the list is a litmus test / support for and concerns over adopting the list / importance of gaining back the majority for the Republicans; the recent election experience of Ms. Scozzafava, a moderate Republican and former Congressional candidate in New York's 23rd district: she conceded the nomination to a Conservative Party candidate and endorsed the Democrat / differing interpretations as to what transpired in that election / role of moderates in the Republican Party / schisms within the Republican Party as it seeks to define itself / belief that the Republican Party will gain majority control in the House of Representatives in the next election.

2:00 12/06/2009 5:30PM

Election Elation

Election night elation has evaporated. For four new school board members, it's time to get down to some serious business. Now they must work to fulfill their campaign promises to close the curtain on the current, controversial way of re-assigning and busing students.

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Hagan On Cunningham

U.S. Sen. Kay Hagan said last week that she has spoken with all three declared and potential Democratic candidates for U.S. Senate, but she avoided questions about whether she's encouraging Cal Cunningham to run.

2:00 12/10/2009 5PM

Cary Town Council

Cary will swear-in its re-elected council members at its regular council meeting tonight (Dec. 10) All three are incumbents. Jennifer Robinson won the runoff election Nov. 3 against Lori Bush and neither won 50% in the general election.

2:00 12/13/2009 6PM

Fetzer vs Perdue

Former Raleigh Mayor Tom Fetzer is criticizing the Governor for campaign-related air travel that she didn't report at the time. The state GOP wants the Board of Elections to investigate flight records involving the current Governor. Perdue says her campaign is working to resolve the issue.

2:00 12/14/2009 6PM

Chapel Hill Town Council

Chapel Hill filled a vacancy on the town council. Donna Bell is now a member! She will serve the last 2 years of former councilman Bill Strom's term. Strom resigned too late for his seat to be filled by last month's election.

2:00 12/16/2009 6PM

DENR Grand Jury

Federal investigators have subpoenaed three more DENR employees to appear before the grand jury this week. Democratic consultant turned government watchdog Joe Sinsheimer says the testimony is significant.

2:00 12/16/2009 6PM

Easley Investigation

Defense attorney Joe Cheshire will handle any potential criminal charges that stem from a probe that was launched after a Board of Elections hearing in October. Cheshire is widely regarded as one of the state's top criminal defense lawyers. He represented one of the defendants in the Duke Lacrosse case.

2:00 12/17/2009 5PM

Ruffin Poole

An aide to former Gov. Mike Easley has declined to testify at a Board of Elections hearing. That hearing is part of an investigation into the former Governor's campaign finances.

3:00 12/30/2009 6PM

Tony Rand

Tomorrow marks the end of the year. And the end of a powerful political career. State senate majority leader Tony Rand officially steps down tomorrow after more than 20 years representing Cumberland and Bladen Counties. Cullen Browder sat down with the 70-year old senator to talk about Rand's legacy, his influence, and his baggage.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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On the Record - Bicycle Safety On Raleigh Greenways

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Half hour discussion regarding bicycle and motorists' safety. Guests included a person injured in a cycling accident and a representative from the Raleigh Mayor's office

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Show Me The Money" - In November 2000, bank manager and single mother Michelle Renee was in her Vista, California home with her seven-year-old daughter Breea, when three masked gunmen broke into the house. The gunmen held them captive overnight, and in the morning strapped dynamite onto their backs. Breea was shoved into a closet, while Michelle was ordered to rob the bank where she worked. If she didn't comply, the gunmen said they would detonate the dynamite. She obeyed, and the next morning she cleaned out the bank vault and gave the gunmen a duffel bag containing \$360,000. Police and FBI investigation soon apprehended four suspects: Christopher Butler, Lisa Ramirez, Christopher Huggins, and Robert Ortiz. But investigators were suspicious that Michelle had been involved in the robbery -- the dynamite had turned out to be fake; she had claimed that she had recognized one of the masked robbers as a customer, even though he had been in her bank only once; and she herself had filed for bankruptcy - for the second time - only a month before the robbery. However, no proof was ever discovered to confirm this suspicion. Eighteen months later, Butler and Ramirez went on trial. Ramirez's confession was ruled inadmissible because it implicated Butler, who had admitted to nothing. Finally, Ramirez was found innocent, and Butler guilty only of kidnapping Renee's daughter and roommate, Kimbra; he was not convicted of kidnapping Michelle Renee. Two months later, Huggins and Ortiz went on trial, and were found guilty of all charges, including the kidnapping of Michelle Renee. Includes interviews with Michelle Renee; Breea Renee; Loretta Myers, former co-worker with Michelle Renee; Rick Brown, neighbor of Renee; investigators Dale Martin, Rudy Zamora, Randi Demers; Tom Manning, prosecutor; Herb Weston, attorney for Ramirez.

30:00 10/04/2009 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week we ask our panel to discuss a new panel created to investigate future power for our state, we talk about the state's effort to block Alcoa's renewal of three hydroelectric plants on the Yadkin River, give our spin on a new law to recycle plastic bottles and look at flu policies and school attendance.

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"The Swindler" - an interview with convicted Ponzi schemer and former attorney Marc Dreier, who discusses how he scammed \$400 million dollars from his investors. He used most of the money to expand his law firm and finance a lifestyle designed to create the illusion that he already was a billionaire. Dreier is now serving a twenty-year prison sentence in Illinois. Also interviewed: Gerald Shargel, Dreier's attorney; Joanne Rapuano, attorney at Dreier's law firm; and Tori LaLonde, Dreier's office manager.

"130 Million Tons of Waste" - a report on the health risks caused by the improper disposal of coal ash, which contains mercury, arsenic, lead and other toxic metals. Problems occurred in Kingston, Tennessee, where coal ash disposed by the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) eventually spilled into the Emory River; and in Chesapeake, Virginia, where coal ash was spread under a golf course. Interviewed: Jim Roewer, lobbyist for the power industry; Leo Francendese, environmentalist for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); Gary Topmiller; resident who lives near the Emory River; Anda Ray, who oversees environmental policy at the TVA; Lisa Jackson, head of the EPA; Ted Yoakam, lawyer from Virginia; Robyn Pierce and Stacy Moorman, who live across the street from the contaminated golf course.

"The Great Migration" - a report on the wildebeest migration across the volcanic plain of the Masai Mara in Kenya and the dangers that confront them. These include predators and the low water level in the Mara River, caused by the destruction of the Mau Forest for human agricultural

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needs and the burning of the trees for charcoal. Interviewed: Robin Reid, scientist, Colorado State University; John Sena, resident of the Mau Forest; Dickson Kaelo, who works for a non-profit foundation that's paying the Masai to turn over management of their land to a wildlife conservancy.

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NC Spin

We live in a litigious society so it should come as no surprise that state laws and the state Constitution are being challenged in court. On this show we want to talk about some of those legal challenges including the recent Appellate court decision to limit the authority of the Governor in administering the budget, the public purpose provision of the Constitution regarding giving money to for-profit organizations as economic incentives, a case challenging the certificate of need laws in our state and also a challenge that would require the state to provide more funding for charter schools.

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60 MINUTES

"Golf Company" - a report on Company G, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marine regiment in Afghanistan, who is battling the enemy in Helmand Province. Sent there as part of President Obama's troop buildup, they are part of a new plan to separate the enemy from the people, and then convince the Afghans to support their government. U.S. forces are now being told to protect civilians, even if the enemy gets away. Interviewed: Second Lieutenant Dan O'Hara, Lieutenant Colonel Christian Cabaniss, Lance Corporal Jonathan Quiceno, Brigadier General John Nicholson, Captain Matt Martin.

"A Blow To The Brain" - a report on new studies that show that some athletes, especially professional football players who suffer many blows to the head, may become brain damaged. Interviewed: Ted Johnson, linebacker for the New England Patriots; Dr. Robert Cantu, a neurosurgeon who co-authored a study done by the University of North Carolina; Dr. Ann McKee, a neuropathologist at Boston University School of Medicine; Dr. Andrew Tucker, a member of the NFL's Brain Injury Committee and team doctor for the Baltimore Ravens; Sylvia Mackey, wife of Hall of Famer John Mackey, who now suffers from severe dementia after many hard hits in his playing days with the Baltimore Colts; Victor Lystedt, whose 13-year-old son, Zackery, suffered a concussion during a football game.

"The Birdmen" - a report on an extreme sport that has killed several of its participants, called birdmen, who wear specially-made wingsuits and jump off mountain tops and glide at speeds of 140 miles per hour. 60 MINUTES talks with some of the sport's top athletes and shows them in action in the Romsdal Valley of Norway. Interviewed: JT Holmes, an American professional skier from Lake Tahoe; Julian Boulle, a South African skydiver and aerial photographer; and Tom Erik Heiman, birdman.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "The Untold Story of Caylee Anthony" - Until June 2008, Casey Anthony, a 22-year-old single mother, lived with her two-year-old daughter, Caylee, in the Orlando, Florida home of her parents, Cindy and George Anthony. After a reported heated argument with her mother, she then moved out, taking Caylee with her. A month later, Cindy tracked Casey down and demanded to see Caylee. Casey then said that Caylee had been kidnapped a month ago by her nanny, a woman named Zenaida Fernandez-Gonzalez. After an intensive search, investigators came to doubt the existence of this woman. In October 2008, Casey was charged with Caylee's murder: she had not reported her daughter missing for a month, and then she allegedly lied to police. In December 2008, Caylee's skeletal remains -- stuffed in plastic bags, her mouth sealed with duct tape -- were discovered a short distance from her grandparents' home. Onscreen graphics at conclusion: Casey Anthony's lawyers are requesting a change of venue for her trial. They claim Orlando is too hostile to select a fair jury.

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Her trial is expected to begin next summer (2010). Includes interviews with: Cindy and George Anthony, parents of Casey Anthony; Brad Conway, attorney for Cindy and George Anthony; Diane Fanning, author, "Mommy's Little Girl"; John Morgan, attorney for Zenaida Gonzalez; Jesse Grund, former boyfriend of Casey Anthony; Pam Bondi, a Tampa, Fla. prosecutor; Jose Baez, Linda Kenney Baden, and Todd Macaluso, attorneys for Casey Anthony; Zenaida Gonzalez, single mother of six; Holly Gagne, friend of Casey Anthony.

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NC Spin

This week we will talk about the recent municipal elections, we will discuss the new gift ban imposed by Governor Perdue, review the new fat tax that will be imposed on state employees and look at a court decision that bans felons from getting gun permits.

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60 MINUTES

"H1N1" - a report on the H1N1 flu virus - which is increasingly targeting young, healthy people - and how the Center For Disease Control is fighting this pandemic. Interviewed: Dr. Michele Moss from the Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock; Chad Duvall, father of Luke, an H1N1 flu patient at the hospital; Rear Admiral Anne Schuchat, the CDC's chief health officer in the war on H1N1; Dr. Sherif Zaki, pathologist; Dr. Peter Palese from Mount Sinai Medical Center in Manhattan, one of the nation's top virologists; Dr. Tom Frieden, director of the CDC.

"The Kanzius Machine" - a followup to "The Kanzius Machine" (OAD: 4/13/08). An interview with John Kanzius, a leukemia patient who invented a radio wave machine that may someday offer effective treatment for cancers without the debilitating side effects of radiation and chemotherapy. Kanzius tried the untested machine on himself and believed that it slowed down the progression of his disease. Even though he ultimately died in February of 2009, scientists believe that his machine has promise. Also interviewed: Marianne Kanzius, his wife; Dr. Steven Curley, a liver cancer surgeon at MD Anderson in Houston, who was treating John and continues cancer research using John's machine; and Dr. Peter Depowski, pathologist.

"Drew Barrymore" - an interview with the former child star, who has become an accomplished actress, producer, and director. She discusses her famous acting family and how she overcame her drug addiction through a rehabilitation program. Also interviewed was director Steven Spielberg.

30:00 10/21/2009 7:00PM

Tar Heel Traveler Special

The Tar Heel Traveler special included stories about a haunted library in Morehead City and haunted house in Winston-Salem—or at least they're supposedly haunted. The Traveler also met a paranormal team from Kinston that hunts ghosts and a Burke County author tracing a notorious murder. There are strange tales too at a cemetery in New Bern, on a river near Dunn, and along a road in Lee County. And at a lake near Charlotte, a monster rears its legendary head.

30:00 10/24/2009 7:30PM

On the Record - Recitivism Rate In North Carolina

Half hour discussion on why so many inmates return to prison in North Carolina. Guests included criminologist, psychologist and current inmate about to be released.

60:00 10/24/2009 9:00PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "The Curious Case of Colonel Shue" (9:00-10:00pm) - In April 2003, Air Force Colonel Philip Shue died in a violent car crash when his vehicle struck some trees alongside a Texas interstate highway. When his body was first pulled from the car, investigators found that there was a six-inch vertical gash in his chest, both his nipples had been removed, and duct tape was wrapped around both his wrists and his boots. After a year of investigation,

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all the agencies involved -- the Air Force, and both local and state police -- agreed that Col. Shue, a psychiatrist, had suffered a psychological breakdown and committed suicide. A grand jury, convened at the request of the district attorney, found no evidence of any crime and believed the ruling of suicide should stand. However, Tracy Shue, his widow, is adamant in her insistence that her husband had been abducted and tortured, and had then somehow broken free. Tracy thinks that Philip's first wife, Nancy, who still held insurance policies on his life worth one million dollars, should be investigated. Nancy had refused to cancel these policies, even after Philip claimed that he had received an anonymous letter warning him of a plot against his life by Nancy and her current husband, Donald Timpson. Nancy was also a board-certified sex therapist who had studied the practice of sadomasochism. Two months after Philip's death, Tracy filed a civil lawsuit seeking to prevent Nancy from collecting the million dollar death benefit, and seeking damages from the insurance companies for not previously canceling the policies. As part of the lawsuit, Tracy's lawyers demanded that Nancy answer their questions, but she took the Fifth Amendment more than twenty times, refusing to answer any questions about murder or motives or torture. In 2008, the civil lawsuit went to trial. Nancy had been dropped as a defendant, as had one of the insurance companies. Both Nancy and Tracy received million dollar death settlements of Philip Shue's policies. With regard to damages, the presiding judge ruled in favor of the insurance company. But he also ruled that the evidence considered by the Court substantiated a finding that the death of Philip Shue was indeed a homicide. Nancy Shue declined repeated requests from 48 HOURS to be interviewed. No law enforcement agency has ever named her or her husband as suspects or persons of interest in the case. Includes interviews with: Tracy Shue, widow of Philip Shue; Nina Williard, friend of Tracy and Philip; Doctor Vincent Di Maio, chief medical examiner, Bexar County, Texas; Dr. Cyril Wecht, pathologist; Joe Moura, private investigator and 48 HOURS consultant; Lieutenant Roger Anderson, lead officer for the military's investigation of the case; George Brown, friend of Philip Shue. Onscreen graphic update for this first rebroadcast: In June 2009 the Texas Attorney General ruled Col. Philip Shue's death certificate does not have to be changed. The official cause of death remains suicide.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Haunted" (10:00-11:00pm) - In July 2002, Mike Sisco and his fiancée Karen Harkness were shot to death in Karen's Topeka, Kansas home. Police investigation ultimately focused on Dana Chandler, Mike's ex-wife and the mother of his two children. Mike and Dana had gone through a bitter divorce in 1998, and Mike had custody of the children. Dana left Kansas, but she then established an ongoing pattern of harassing and stalking her ex-husband, and also harassing Karen on the phone. Dana's obsession convinced family members that she was involved in the murders, but no hard evidence has ever linked her to the crimes. The families believe that evidence that might have implicated her was lost or destroyed in the initial police investigation of the crime scene. So, although police strongly suspected Dana's involvement in the murders, she was never arrested or charged. In 2007, an independent analysis of the evidence, done by retired New York Lieutenant Commander Vernon Geberth, concluded that Dana Chandler was "the one and only person who had the motive, means, and opportunity to commit these murders". In January 2009, Topeka got a new district attorney, Chad Taylor, who says that the Harkness-Sisco case is now a priority. Onscreen graphics at conclusion: Hailey Sisco has been granted a permanent restraining order against her mother. District Attorney Chad Taylor is awaiting the results of new DNA testing. The investigation remains active. Includes interviews with: Harold Worswick, father of Karen Harkness; Carol Sisco Engler, mother of Mike Sisco; Richard Volle, detective, Topeka police; Dustin Sisco, son of Mike Sisco and Dana Chandler; Hailey Sisco, daughter of Mike Sisco and Dana Chandler; Erin Sutton, daughter of Karen Harkness; Chad Harkness, son of Karen Harkness; Cathy and Mark Boots, Mike Sisco's sister and his brother-in-law; Joseph Moura and Paul Ciolino, private detectives working for 48 HOURS; Tim Sisco, Mike's brother; Mike Worswick, Karen Harkness' brother; Chad Taylor, Topeka district attorney.

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NC Spin

This week we ask our panel to talk about the upcoming State Board of Election hearings into potential violations by Mike Easley's election campaign, we reopen the debate about how long a life sentence should be, look into a 5.3 billion dollar request for funding for high speed rail lines in our state and consider the Senate bill to formally recognize the Lumbee Indians.

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60 MINUTES

"60 Billion Dollar Fraud" - a report on Medicare and Medicaid fraud, focusing on criminals in South Florida, who set up phony clinics and pharmacies and, with the use of illegally obtained but valid patient numbers and Medicare codes, are able to bill Medicare for unrequested and undelivered supplies. Interviewed: FBI Special Agent Brian Waterman; Justice Department prosecutor Kirk Ogrosky, who oversees half a dozen Medicare fraud strike forces; United States Attorney General Eric Holder; "Tony" (not his real name), who ran a string of phony medical supply companies; Clara Mahoney and Ed Davis, two Medicare patients who reported fraudulent charges on their Medicare statements; and Kim Brandt, Medicare's Director of Program Integrity.

"Fight For A Cure" - a report on epilepsy, a brain disorder affecting nearly three million Americans and which may not be getting the research and funding it deserves. President Obama's senior advisor David Axelrod and his wife, Susan, talk about their oldest daughter, Lauren, who was diagnosed with epilepsy. Susan and two other mothers started CURE, a nonprofit organization to raise awareness and fund innovative epilepsy research. Also interviewed: Dr. Frances Jensen of Children's Hospital in Boston; Captain Pat Horan, a veteran who developed epilepsy after sustaining head injuries in Baghdad, and his wife, Patty; Monica Lovelace, an epilepsy patient who is part of a clinical trial at California Pacific Medical Center in San Francisco; and Dr. Peter Weber, a neurosurgeon who is treating Monica.

"Tyler Perry" - a profile of writer, director, producer, and actor Tyler Perry. Long ignored by Hollywood, Perry talks about his films, the inspirations behind the characters he has created, including the popular "Madea", and his devoted audience: largely African-American, church-going, working class, and female. Also interviewed: Oprah Winfrey.

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7:00PM

Focal Point: "Puppies and Politics"

Focal Point: *"Puppies and Politics"* examines the puppy mill problem in North Carolina, its impact, and the controversial political debate that's been ignited by legislation designed to help protect both puppies and consumers.

WRAL News anchor and reporter Cullen Browder hosts the documentary.

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7:30PM

On the Record - Board Of Elections/Easley Investigation

Half hour discussion regarding investigation into former Governor Mike Easley. Guests included Easley attorney, Election Board chair and a political watchdog.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Deadly Prophecy" - Faylene Eaves, divorced Arizona mother of two, married Doug Grant, a divorced single dad, in 1993. They were both Mormons. Faylene was especially devout, according to Doug's sister, Tammy Fuentes, who also says that, several years later, Faylene told her of receiving a message from God telling her that Doug had a girlfriend and that she should divorce him. Doug acquiesced. He then planned to marry Hilary Dewitt, but in August 2001, Faylene wanted to re-marry him, citing a revelation from God that she should put her family back together. They did re-marry, and to celebrate their reunion, vacationed in

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the Timpanogas National Park in Utah. There, according to Doug, Faylene thought she had a vision of Jesus in the clouds and fell off a cliff while trying to get a better look. She survived, but three days later was found drowned in her bathtub, her blood full of the muscle relaxants and sleeping medication (Ambien) that had been prescribed after her fall. As a precaution against Faylene taking both drugs together, the physician's assistant had told Doug not to fill the Ambien prescription without calling him first -- but Doug had done so anyway. In the journal that Faylene had kept, she seemed to suggest that it was God's will that she die "to fulfill a mission on the other side of the veil." And, in letters to Hilary Dewitt, Faylene had written that she wanted Hilary to marry Doug after she died -- which he did, just weeks after Faylene's death. Although Faylene's death was initially ruled an accident, pressure from her family made the police eventually take a closer look at Doug Grant. He had never called 911 upon discovering Faylene in the tub. Because of this, and because of incriminating information provided by Jim McElyea, an old friend of Doug, police arrested Doug in the summer of 2005 for the murder of his wife, Faylene. In mid-November 2008, his trial began; in March 2009, he was convicted of manslaughter. Concluding onscreen graphics: Jenna is suing Doug Grant for the wrongful death of her mother. Faylene and Doug's two sons live with Hilary Dewitt, who is their legal guardian. Includes interviews with: Jenna Stradling, daughter of the late Faylene Grant; Doug Grant, widower of Faylene Grant; Chad White, physician's assistant, friend of Doug Grant; Paul Rubin, reporter; Juan Martinez, prosecutor; Hilary Dewitt, second wife of Doug Grant; Mel McDonald, attorney for Doug Grant; Tammy Fuentes, sister of Doug Grant; Sy Ray, detective; Jim McElyea, friend of Doug Grant.

60:00 11/01/2009 7:00PM

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"H1N1" - a report on the manufacture, distribution and safety of the H1N1 influenza vaccine. For the first time, the public is allowed to see how and where the vaccine is made: in a sprawling facility in Pennsylvania, by Sanofi Pasteur, a French drug company. Also includes an interview with Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius, who is responsible for the vaccine program; a followup on the case of Luke Duvall, a teenage H1N1 patient profiled on October 18, 2009 ("H1N1"); and interviews with Sam Lee of Sanofi Pasteur; Dr. Bruce Gellin; infectious disease expert Michael Osterholm, University of Minnesota.

"The Yakuza" - a report on the Japanese version of organized crime, the Yakuza, featuring an interview with Jake Adelstein, an American journalist, who has spent the last fifteen years in Japan investigating and reporting on the mob, and how Tadamasa Goto, a high-ranking member of the Yakuza, in need of a liver transplant, was allowed into the United States and allowed to jump to the top of the transplant list. Interviews included: Mike Cox, chief of immigration and customs, U.S. Embassy, Tokyo; attorney Larry Eisenberg, who is helping clients Cheryl Rady and Yolanda Carballo -- who both lost relatives waiting for transplants. (C: Lara Logan - P: Howard L. Rosenberg)

"The Movie Pirates" - an investigation of criminals who copy films, sometimes before the movies even reach the theater, and distribute them illegally via the Internet and DVD's, costing Hollywood billions in lost revenue. Interviewed: Los Angeles Detective Rick Ishitani; Motion Picture Association of America investigator Gary Kissinger; John Malcolm, former Justice Department official; filmmaker Steven Soderbergh, vice president of the Directors Guild of America; and Richard Cotton, executive vice president, NBC Universal.

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On the Record - Health Care Reform

Half hour discussion with CEO of Blue Cross Blue Shield North Carolina.

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NC Spin

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This week we talk about our lasting opinions of the Easley hearings and the controversy surrounding letting the prisoners go free.

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60 MINUTES

"Sabotaging The System" - a report on computer hackers who can disable critical infrastructures in major cities, disrupt essential services, steal millions from banks, infiltrate defense systems, extort public companies and sabotage our weapons systems. Interviews include: retired Admiral Mike McConnell, former Chief of National Intelligence; Jim Lewis, director, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Jim Gosler and John Mulder of Sandia National Laboratories; Sean Henry, assistant director, FBI, Bureau Cyber Division; and Congressman Jim Langevin (D-RI).

"Agassi" - an interview with tennis champion Andre Agassi, who in his first interview about his upcoming autobiography "Open: An Autobiography", talks about his life in tennis, his family, the depression he suffered from that eventually led to his abuse of the drug methamphetamine, and finally, his life today. Also included are brief comments by Agassi's wife, former tennis great Steffi Graf.

30:00 11/14/2009 7:30PM

On the Record - H1N1

Half hour discussion regarding H1N1 in North Carolina. Guests included WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask and an infectious disease specialist.

60:00 11/14/2009 10:00PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "A Case For Murder" - On June 2, 2007, the body of thirty-six-year-old Hugues de la Plaza was found in his locked San Francisco apartment. He had been stabbed in the neck, chest and stomach. His apartment was covered in blood, and the scene seemed to have all the characteristics of a homicide -- but there was no sign of a struggle, no sign of anyone else's DNA at the scene, and no image of an assailant on nearby security cameras. The San Francisco Medical Examiner's office classified the cause of his death as "undetermined," which raised the possibility of suicide. However, there was no bloody weapon found in his apartment. Friends and family claim that he was not suicidal and would never have killed himself. De la Plaza's father, Francois, a French citizen, hired an independent private investigator, John Murphy, and was also able to call in French authorities to conduct their own investigation. Murphy and the French investigators independently concluded that Hugues de la Plaza was a homicide victim. In addition, an outside review of the case, commissioned by the San Francisco Police Department, concluded that de la Plaza's death was a homicide. Despite these several independent findings, San Francisco authorities still classify the cause of de la Plaza's death as "undetermined." Includes interviews with: Melissa Nix, former girlfriend of de la Plaza; Dr. Venus Azar, Assistant Medical Examiner; Neil Zarama, co-worker of de la Plaza; Mark Colacito, boss and friend of de la Plaza; Francois de la Plaza, father of Hugues; Shannon Stabile and Kris Moore, paramedics; Antonio Casillas, Inspector, San Francisco Police; Orion Denley and Gitanjali Bhusan, neighbors of de la Plaza; John Murphy, private investigator; Christophe Schuhmann, friend of de la Plaza.

30:00 11/15/2009 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week we ask our panel to talk about how Tony Rand's resignation will change the Senate, the Golden Leaf Foundation gets a bad audit, a new way to finance road construction and whether Bank of America might be moving their headquarters.

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"The Deadliest Weapon" - a report on the war in Afghanistan's deadliest weapon: the roadside bomb or IED (improvised explosive device). The U.S. military has gone on the offensive against this terrorist tool: search and destroy missions are carried out across Afghanistan by a small army of elite units called Task Force Paladin, which only accepts volunteers because the missions are so dangerous. Included are interviews with Task Force Paladin members Col. Jeffrey Jarkowsky, Capt. Dave Foster, Sgt. Max Cabrera, Spec. Christopher Parsons, Capt. Thomas LaFave; Sgt. Daniel De Roche, and Spec. Joshua Gross.

"B-Rex" - an interview with Jack Horner, who consulted on all of the "Jurassic Park" movies and is considered to be one of the most prominent and controversial paleontologists in the United States. Concerned more with how dinosaurs lived, than why they went extinct, he studies their biology and what they were like as living creatures. Credited with providing the evidence that dinosaurs have evolved into what we now know as birds, Horner has proposed a plan to mine ancestral dinosaur DNA as a way to reverse-engineer a chicken into what he calls a "dino-chicken". Also interviewed: University of Wisconsin Professor Sean Carroll; North Carolina State University Professor Mary Schweitzer, protégé of Horner, who studies the internal makeup of ancient bone; and Bob Harmon, a member of Horner's team.

"Resurrecting Eden" - a report on the restoration of Iraq's marshlands. After the 1991 Gulf War, Saddam Hussein spent millions of dollars exterminating an ancient civilization called the "Ma'dan" or Marsh Arabs, for supporting the uprising against him. By building six canals to divert the waters of the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers out into the desert and the Persian Gulf, he all but destroyed their way of life in the area where many biblical scholars place the Garden of Eden. Now, American engineer Azzam Alwash, who grew up in the region, and his group "Nature Iraq", have developed a plan to restore the marshes and bring back an ancient way of life.

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7:30PM

On the Record - Lottery Success In North Carolina

Half hour discussion regarding the North Carolina Education Lottery.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Catch Her If You Can" (9:00-10:00pm) - A profile of Esther Elizabeth Reed -- also known as Natalie Fisher, Natalie Bowman, Brook Henson and Jennifer Myers. Since 1999, this high school dropout from a small Montana town assumed at least four different identities; scammed her way into Harvard and Columbia, and stole over \$100,000 in student loans. In 2006, a federal grand jury in South Carolina handed down an indictment charging her with felony identity theft (in relation to missing person Brook Henson) and student loan fraud. In February 2008, she was finally arrested in a Chicago suburb. She pled guilty to four felonies, and was sentenced to fifty-one months in federal prison. She is scheduled to be released in October 2011. Despite pleading guilty, she could still be charged in other cases. Includes interviews with: Esther Reed; Steve Rambam, private investigator and 48 HOURS consultant; John Bridge, U.S. Marshal; Walt Wilkins, a U.S. attorney; Edna Strom, Esther Reed's sister; E.J. Reed, her brother; Jim Therriault, her English teacher; Natalie Fisher, sister of Esther's former boyfriend; Brandy Olson, college friend of Esther Reed/ "Natalie Fisher"; John Brushke, debate coach, California State Fullerton; Frank Abagnale, former con man; Bitu Shaghaghi, college roommate of Esther Reed / "Natalie Bowman"; Mitch Avila, professor, California State Fullerton; Lisa Henson, aunt of the real Brook Henson; John Campbell, South Carolina detective; Ann Fitz, attorney for Esther Reed.

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11/21/2009

10:00PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Diary of a Showgirl" (10:00-11:00pm) - Marjorie Orbin, a former Las Vegas showgirl and stripper, is currently serving a life sentence in a Phoenix, Arizona prison, having been convicted of murdering Jay Orbin, her husband of ten years and father of her son, Noah. On September 8, 2004, Jay was driving home from a business trip to Florida. He spoke to his mother on his cell phone, but then was never heard from again. Six weeks later, on October

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23, 2004, his torso was found in a plastic container, just miles from his home. A police search warrant of the Orbin home discovered Jay's credit cards and business checkbook, which he always took with him on business trips -- evidence that he had arrived home, but never actually left on another trip -- as Marjorie had claimed. Further police investigation -- including the discovery of a hardware store surveillance tape showing Marjorie buying two plastic containers exactly like the one Jay's torso was found in -- pointed to Marjorie as the murderer, and she was arrested and charged on December 6, 2004. On September 14, 2009, a jury found her guilty of murder; she was sentenced to life in prison. Marjorie, however, now claims that Larry Weisberg, with whom she had been having an affair, murdered Jay when Weisberg and Jay had a confrontation in Jay's home, after Jay had returned earlier than expected from his Florida trip and found out about the affair. She says that she had never revealed this for five years, because Weisberg had threatened to kill her son if she went to the police. Marjorie is serving a life sentence in Phoenix, Arizona. Includes interviews with: Marjorie Orbin; David Barnes, detective; Treena Kay, lead prosecutor; Joanne Orbin, Jay's mother; Jake Orbin, Jay's brother; Jan Butcher, detective.

30:00 11/22/2009 6:30AM
NC Spin

On this show we will talk about the state wasting money on unused vehicles, about an admission that bad mistakes were made in mental health, about how eliminating the high school competency test has created havoc in our schools and the latest news on the Senate race.

60:00 11/22/2009 7:29PM
60 MINUTES

"The Cost of Dying" - a report on the high cost of end-of-life care, including procedures and surgeries that often times prolong patients' lives, and how Medicare paid \$50 billion just for doctors and hospital bills during their last months. As President Obama and Congress address health care reform, these costs, which used to be a bipartisan issue, have become politically explosive, a perfect example of the health care costs that threaten to bankrupt the country. Included interviews with Dr. Ira Byock, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH; Dr. Elliott Fisher, Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy; Meredith Snedeker, daughter of a patient; and David Walker of the Peter G. Peterson Foundation.

"Witness" - an interview with Iranian-Canadian film maker and Newsweek reporter Maziar Bahari, who was held in Iran's notorious Evin Prison by the Revolutionary Guard for 118 days. Accused of espionage, Bahari was interrogated and tortured on a daily basis, all for reporting on the demonstrations related to the June 2009 re-election of Mahmoud Ahmadinejad as president of Iran -- a vote millions of Iranians claimed had been rigged.

"Cameron's Avatar" - an interview with filmmaker James Cameron, who directed "Titanic", the most profitable movie ever made. His next project is "Avatar", a \$400 million 3D science fiction fantasy that mixes real actors with computer generated creatures, the sum of which he believes will change the movie business forever.

60:00 11/28/2009 10:00PM

48 HOURS: LIVE TO TELL: "Krystal's Courage" - an updated and edited version of "Krystal's Courage" (OAD 08/16/02). On December 30, 1999, 10-year-old Krystal Surles, a Yates, Kansas girl, and her friend Kaylene Harris were attacked in Kaylene's Del Rio, Texas home, by a knife-wielding intruder who slashed both girls' throats. Kaylene died... Krystal not only survived the attack but was able to help a police sketch artist draw an image that led to the arrest of her attacker, Tommy Lynn Sells. After his arrest Sells confessed to the crime and revealed that he had been traveling across the country killing men, women and children for twenty years and had never in the past left a witness alive. Krystal Surles testified during Sells' trial for the December 1999 murder of Kaylene Harris, which ended in his being sentenced to death. This updated edition includes new commentary by Krystal Surles; Marque Surles, her sister; Pam Surles, her

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mother; Mark Surles, her father; Johnny Allen, Texas Ranger. Updated text graphic at conclusion: Krystal, now 20, lives with her father in Idaho. Tommy Lynn Sells has been on death row for nine years.

30:00 11/29/2009 6:30AM

NC Spin

On this show we will talk about the state economy and the state budget, about buying seats on boards and commissions, new university policies for administrative leave and end-of-life decisions.

60:00 11/29/2009 7:00PM

60 MINUTES

"Congo Gold" - due to the high price of gold, it and other minerals are funding the war in the Democratic Republic of Congo -- one of the deadliest since World War II. The jewelry industry banned the trafficking of so-called blood diamonds, but the same has not happened with gold, and a campaign of rape and murder, funded largely by gold, has killed more than 5 million people, as gold is smuggled out to be sold on the open market. Included are interviews with Anneke Van Woudenberg, Human Rights Watch; John Prendergast, the Enough Project; Fidel Balilemba, relief worker; Matt Runci, head of the trade groups *Jewelers of America* and the *Responsible Jewelry Council*.

"The Great Explorer" - an interview with famed deep sea explorer Robert Ballard, who counts among his discoveries the wrecks of the Titanic, the Bismark and PT 109, the ship commanded by President John Kennedy in World War II. Today, he sails the seas on the Nautilus, a ship specially designed for deep sea exploration, and with state-of-the-art electronics and navigation systems. Though famed for his discovery of the Titanic, he reveals that he was really on a top-secret mission for the U.S. Navy to map two nuclear submarines, the USS Scorpion and Thresher, lost in the North Atlantic during the Cold War. He also considers his discovery of tube worms, eight thousand feet below the ocean's surface, living in total darkness and thriving off the energy of the Earth and not the sun, to be his greatest discovery. Also included is undersea footage from Ballard's personal library.

30:00 12/02/2009 7:00PM

Focal Point: "Critical Condition"

Focal Point: *"Critical Condition"* goes beyond the debate over health care reform and examines the challenges people and businesses in North Carolina face in our current health care system. It profiles the uninsured, under-insured and people struggling with the high cost of health care. It also looks at how some medical providers have tried to create a safety net to treat some of the uninsured as a temporary measure until a permanent solution can be found.

Focal Point: *"Critical Condition"* is hosted by WRAL News anchor David Crabtree.

30:00 12/09/2009 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week we ask our panel to comment on a recent poll showing we don't trust politicians, a complaint against Wayne County Schools, more problems for our alcohol beverage control system, and potential problems for Charlotte's 485 loop.

30:00 12/13/2009 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week we will talk about large debts from unemployment payments, a new program to invest in North Carolina businesses, changes in our two largest school boards and new charges relating to Senator Tony Rand.

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30:00 12/19/2009 7:00PM

On the Record - Racism In North Carolina

Half hour discussion regarding the latest string of racial incidents in the state. Guests included the President of the NC Chapter of the NAACP.

30:00 12/20/2009 6:30AM

NC Spin

As we head into Christmas week, we ask our panel to talk about more stories involving official misconduct. We also discuss why we are fourth in the number of student suspensions, the end of the safe haven for business in the Senate, and once again discuss those inmates seeking release.

30:00 12/27/2009 6:30AM

NC Spin – A Year in Review

Before we say good-bye to 2009, we want to give one final review of the top stories of the year.

SPECIAL REPORTS

2:00 10/14/2009 ALL

North Carolina State Fair

WRAL provided comprehensive coverage of the 2009 North Carolina State Fair. We aired live coverage in all newscasts and had multiple daily reports on the unique people, sights, and savories from the fairgrounds.

2:00 10/01/2009 6PM

Stimulus 2

Billions of dollars flowing from Washington, DC to North Carolina. The goal is get people jobs to spark the economy. Some projects are picked because they are ready to go. In Part 2 of a WRAL investigation, WRAL's Kelcey Carlson looks at a few local projects that are on the list.

2:30 10/05/2009 6PM

Elderly Care Facility Ratings

A series of safety problems led to the shutdown of a local assisted living facility. Over the past 8 months, 2 patients walked away from the home. One died. WRAL Investigates Primrose Villa and the shortcomings of the state's highly touted rating system that uses information that is outdated and incomplete.

2:30 10/07/2009 6PM

Russian Brides

A group of soldiers attracted more attention than they probably bargained for when they married women from the former Soviet Union. The women wanted citizenship. The men wanted extra pay and a place off post. Now they're all charged with marriage fraud because of who was involved. WRAL Investigates why this is being treated as a possible homeland security violation.

3:00 10/12/2009 6PM

OTC Drug Ring

A complex multi-million dollar over-the-counter drug ring is broken up! The center of it right here in the Triangle. WRAL investigates the arrests in Franklin County that pulled it apart. The alleged ringleader and five other co-conspirators pleaded guilty. Federal court records show this was a well thought out scheme with tentacles all over North Carolina.

2:00 10/16/2009 6PM

Easley Flights

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State Board of Elections is about to look into the campaign finance reports of Governor Mike Easley. WRAL Investigation uncovers documents that prove the Governor's campaign was clearly advised of the same rules that he's now accused of violating.

2:45 10/28/2009 6PM

Ponzi Auction

All the casualties of what the government calls an elaborate ponzi scheme. The Raleigh man accused of heading up the operation is on the run. In this WRAL Investigates follow up, WRAL's Kelcey Carlson explains how you can bid on some of his family's things.

2:30 11/02/2009 6PM

ABC Stores Part 1

Liquor sales are a seven million dollar business in North Carolina. Sales on which the state has a monopoly, but even so most stores are losing money. In this WRAL investigation, WRAL's Kelcey Carlson looks at a new report that calls the state's system—outdated.

2:30 11/03/2009 6PM

ABC Stores Part 2

North Carolina has a unique system for selling liquor. It's state operated with local boards having all the control. A recent study suggests it's time for change but there are a number of options on the table. As WRAL Investigates the ABC system, Kelcey Carlson digs into the public versus privatization debate.

2:30 11/09/2009 6PM

State Motor Fleet Part 1

North Carolina's state motor fleet is eighty-five hundred vehicles strong. For all intents and purposes, the fleet rents those vehicles to other state agencies. But a look at the mileage logs and state motor fleet rules raises questions. WRAL investigates the efficiency of the motor fleet.

2:30 11/10/2009 6PM

State Motor Fleet Part 2

A WRAL Investigation prompts a call for change from the highest levels of state government. We found state agencies spending millions of dollars on cars sitting unused in parking lots. Tonight, WRAL goes straight to Governor Bev Perdue who says the motor fleet system needs to be overhauled to prevent waste.

2:30 11/13/2009 6PM

Delinquent Income Taxes

Millions are owed to the state in back taxes. One way of trying to get people to pay up is to publish their names. The state does this with a tax debtors list on the internet. As WRAL's Kelcey Carlson investigates, there are some familiar names with some very big totals, including athletes and council members.

2:30 11/17/2009 6PM

Former Death Row Inmate

Twenty-seven murderers and rapists in North Carolina prisons should be set free per a court order which set off a firestorm. The Governor vows to keep the inmates locked up. Some of those inmates have a chance at freedom thanks to one man. WRAL's Kelcey Carlson looks back at a case that changed the death penalty in North Carolina forever.

2:30 11/18/2009 6PM

Congressional Travel

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They make laws that impact us at home and foreign relations around the globe. To do their jobs, U.S. representatives don't just fly back and forth to Washington. They travel the world. Tonight, WRAL investigates congressional travel.

2:30 11/19/2009 6PM

Cell Phone Software

Most Americans have a cell phone, but the question is, how secure is your phone? Cullen Browder's here with a look at how your cell can be hacked.

2:00 11/20/2009 6PM

DHHS No Bid Contracts

Contracts awarded without bids in the state's largest public agency draw fire tonight. State lawmakers allowed the Department of Health and Human Services to do this as a way to save time and money. Now, the exclusive deals are raising concerns about fairness and potential conflict.

2:00 11/20/2009 11PM

Assisted Living Center Closes

A Raleigh assisted living facility is under investigation for providing sub-par living conditions and care. The state recently suspended the license of the Jones Family Care Home for the numerous infractions.

2:30 11/23/2009 6PM

ABC Stores Follow Up

Local boards that control liquor sales are under review for what they pay their top people. This comes on the heels of a WRAL investigation into the ABC system. As Kelcey Carlson reports, New Hanover County's General Manager reportedly makes one hundred thousand dollars more than the GMs in other, larger counties.

2:00 12/07/2009 6PM

Meat Inspections

A backyard slaughterhouse and fake USDA labels are just two cases uncovered through meat inspections across the state this year. So how common are these backyard operations? WRAL's Kelcey Carlson investigates and provides a word of warning.

2:45 12/10/2009 5PM

Elderly Scams

Senior citizens are often targets for unscrupulous people looking to make an easy buck. Five On Your Side hears from lots of people who are taken advantage of but this case is really serious. In less than two months, an elderly man was bilked out of tens of thousands of dollars! His story is a lesson for all of us.

2:00 12/11/2009 6PM

Edwards Trip

WRAL has learned that John Edwards visited the property of a major campaign supporter today. This trip comes during a federal investigation into the former North Carolina Senator and presidential candidate. We caught up with him at RDU this afternoon.

2:00 12/15/2009 6PM

Edwards Money Trail

A recent trip raises new questions about the John Edwards investigation. The former presidential candidate flew to the property of a wealthy donor. Tonight Kelcey Carlson continues to investigate, following the money trail to see who this donor is and why her money is of interest.

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2:30 12/17/2009 6PM

Prodigy

A thirty million dollar no-bid state contract is under fire tonight. The Department of Health and Human Services signed the deal last month with a newly formed diabetes equipment company. Tonight, WRAL Investigates the contract in question. Cullen Browder has a closer look at the company's owners.

2:00 12/22/2009 6PM

Stimulus Signs

Tonight WRAL Investigates tax dollars being spent to let you know how your tax dollars are spent. The state Department of Transportation is installing signs to tout projects paid for with more than eight hundred million dollars in federal stimulus money. Cullen Browder reports, those signs cost money too.

2:15 12/28/2009 6PM

Medicare/Medicaid Fraud

A medical clinic run by a "father and daughter" is under investigation for fake claims to Medicare and Medicaid. Investigators believe the Wilmington business even took advantage of an unsuspecting Raleigh clinic. As WRAL's Kelcey Carlson reports, North Carolina is working to prevent cases like this.

OTHER LOCAL PROGRAMMING AIRED IN THE PUBLIC'S INTEREST:

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 12/25/2009 4:00PM

WRAL-TV Raleigh Christmas Parade

The parade is hosted by WRAL-TV news personalities and hails as the largest parade between Atlanta and Washington D.C. An estimated 60,000 people lined the street, in addition to approximately 75,000 more watching at home. This is the 35th consecutive year that the event will be produced and aired by WRAL-TV.

2:00 12/01/2009 ALL PM

50th Annual WRAL Tower Lighting

WRAL marked 50 years as a beacon of holiday cheer on Dec. 1 when the lights went on at the transmission tower outside the WRAL-TV Studios, at 2619 Western Blvd. in Raleigh. The annual event transforms the station's 300-foot tower into a 300-foot Christmas tree. Three 5-foot stars adorn the top of the tower, and 2,805 colored lights keep it glowing through New Year's Day. The Marching Sound Machine from NC Central University provided entertainment throughout the newscasts.

(2) 30mins 12/11/2009 1:00PM & 7:00PM

Various News cut-ins

WRAL's Coats for the Children Telethon

The 21st Annual Coats for the Children included news cut-ins and two half-hour specials. The telethon raised more than \$70,000 to assist Salvation Army families in need of winter clothing assistance. Throughout the month of December, viewers were also encouraged to donate 'gently' used coats to assist children in need of winter clothing items. All campaign donations benefit the Salvation Army and their families in need.

35:00 12/31/2009 11PM

First Night Raleigh

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WRAL News was there as large crowds braved foggy, drizzly Fayetteville Street for the 19th annual First Night Raleigh celebration on Thursday evening. Anchors Ken Smith and Kelcey Carlson, along with American Idol finalist Anoop Desai, helped ring in the New Year in the newly opened City Plaza, where a 1,200-pound steel and copper acorn dropped twice – at 7 p.m. for the children's celebration and at Midnight.